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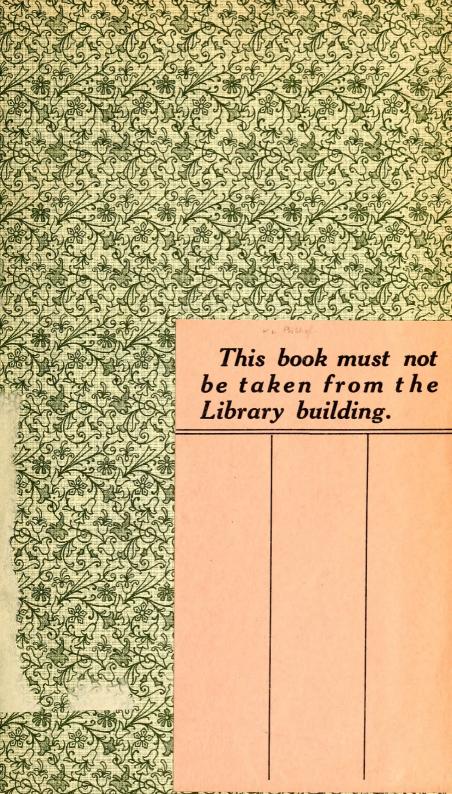
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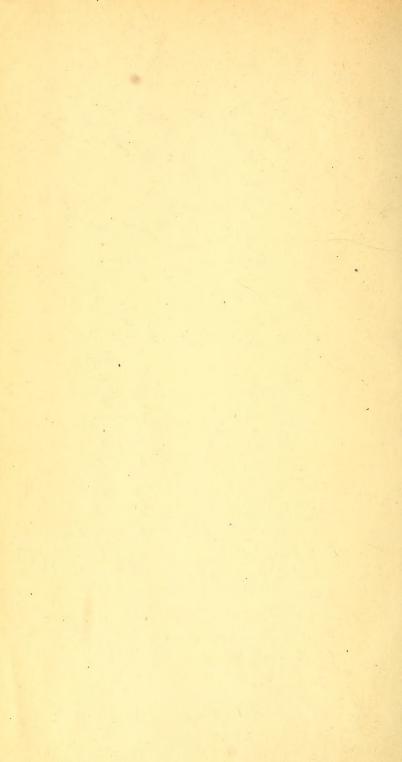
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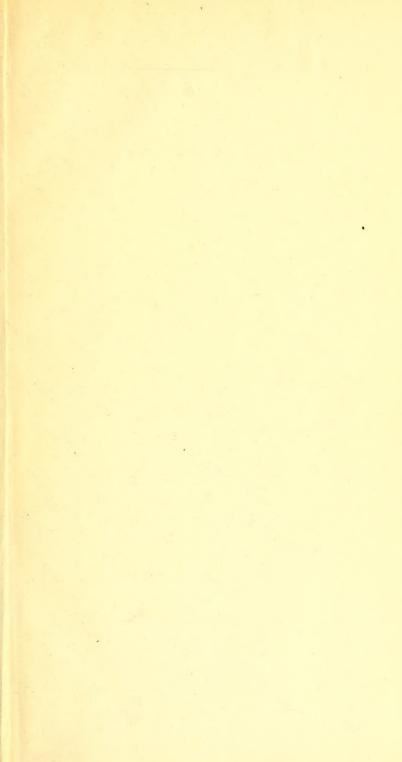
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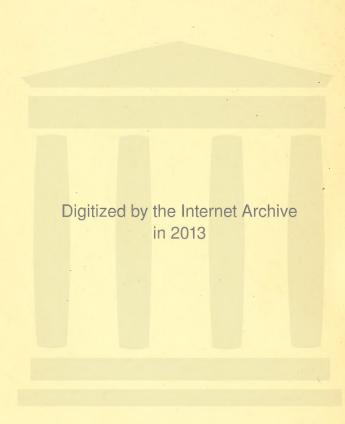
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OF THE

PRIMARY CONVENTION

ERRATA.

In the List of Lay Delegates, Pages 11, 12 and 13, the following should have been designated as present: S. H. Abbott, N. B. Whitfield, Wm. C. Whitfield, M. D., Geo. H. Roberts, W. H. Oliver. The following, designated as present, were not present: Theopilus Overby and D. E. Winston.

Page 11. W. T. Clung should be W. T. Cleary.

Page 17. In second line, Report of Committee on Canons, "changed" should be "charged."

Page 22. Insert after the word "proposed," in the last line, the words "amendment to the."

Page 39. In fifth line from bottom for "amend" read "amended."

Page 45; In 18th line, for "fifth" read "first."

Page 49. Line 15th for "impossible read possible."

OMISSION.

Page 12. The members of the Joint Committee, on the part of this Diocese, on the division of the permanent and current funds of the Diocese of North Carolina, appointed under the resolution of Dr. De Rosset (see Page 9), are Messrs. George Davis and S. L. Fremont, the Lay Trustees of the Diocese.

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OF THE

PRIMARY CONVENTION

OF THE

PROTESTANT EPISCOPAL CHURCH

IN THE

DIOCESE OF EAST CAROLINA,

HELD IN

CHRIST CHURCH, NEW BERNE,

ON THE

12th and 13th of December, 1883.

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OF THE

Proceedings of the Primary Convention.

FIRST DAY.

CHRIST CHURCH, NEW BERNE, Dec. 12, 1883.

At 10.15 A. M., the Rt. Rev. Theodore B. Lyman, D. D., Bishop of the Diocese of North Carolina, took the chair and called to order the Clerical and Lay Delegates in attendance at the Primary Convention of the New Diocese.

After prayers the Bishop read the Certificate of Consent to the erection of a New Diocese given by the last General Convention in these words:

MEDFORD, MASS., Nov. 28, 1883.

To the Ecclesiastical Authority of the Diocese of North Carolina:

It is my duty to inform you that at a session of the General Convention of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the United States of America, held in the city of Philadelphia, Pa., on the 9th day of October, in the year 1883, the following resolution was adopted by the House of Deputies, to wit:

Resolved, the House of Bishops concurring, That the consent of the House of Deputies be, and is hereby, given to the erection of the proposed New Diocese within the present Diocese of North Carolina. And the House of Bishops did concur in the foregoing action of the House of Deputies on the 22d day of October, 1883.

ATTEST:

CHAS. L. HUTCHINS, Secretary of the House of Deputies.

On motion the Rev. R. B. Drane was elected Temporary Secretary, and the Rev. E. R. Rich was asked to be his Assistant.



List of Clergy Present.

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At roll call there were present of the Clergy entitled to seats in the Convention—

The Rev. E. M. Forbes, The Rev. Van Winder Shields, A. A. Watson, D. D., Samuel S. Barber, N. C. Hughes, Thomas B. Haughton, Jos. C. Huske, D. D., Charles O. Brady, 66 Thomas M. Ambler, Nymphas E. Price, Rob't B. Windley, Israel Harding, Luther Eborn, Peter W. Cassey, John Kiernan, N. C. Hughes, Jr., Armand DeR. Meares, Nathaniel Harding, Thomas M. Thorpe, Rob't B. Drane.

The Rev. Henry S. McDuffey.

The Rev. Dr. Watson moved the appointment of a Committee on Credentials of Clerical and Lay Delegates, which was seconded, and, a discussion arising, Mr. Frank D. Winston moved as a substitute that the Temporary Secretary call the list of those Lay Delegates whose names have been sent.

The roll call was made and the following gentlemen answered to their names:

St. Stephen's, Goldsboro-J. H. Hill,

W. H. Barnes,

Dr. D. Cogdell,

Owen Holmes.

Grace Church, Plymouth-F. A. Boyle.

Zion Church, Beaufort co.—C. C. N. Cutler,

Marcellus Braddy,

Jesse Braddy.

St. John's, Fayetteville - S. J. Hinsdale,

R. S. Huske.

George H. Haigh,

W. A. Guthrie.

St. Paul's, Greenville—Dr. W. M. B. Brown, Charles Skinner,

R. R. Cotten.

St. John, Evangelist, Edenton—Armstead Daves. Christ Church, New Berne—Maj. John Hughes.

At this point Rev. Dr. Watson moved to suspend the calling

of the names and a Committee on Credentials be appointed which was carried, and the Rt. Rev. the Bishop appointed on this committee, the Rev. Israel Harding, Mr. Frank Boyle and Mr. Geo. H. Roberts.

Mr. R. S. Huske moved for a Committee on Permanent Organization. The motion was lost.

The Rev. Dr. Watson moved to adjourn until after Divine Service. Carried.

Morning Prayer was said by the Rev. R. B. Drane to the Prayers; the Rev. Nathaniel Harding reading the Lessons; the Rev. Thomas M. Ambler said the Prayers; the Rev. Van Winder Shields announced the hymn; the Bishop said the office of Holy Communion, assisted by Rev. Dr. Huske in the Epistle, the Rev. Dr. Watson in the Gospel. The Bishop preached on St. Luke xvii: 20, "The kingdom of God cometh not with observation."

The offerings of the congregation were received for Diocesan Missions.

The Bishop was assisted in the distribution by the Rev. Dr. Watson and the Rev. N. C. Hughes, and concluded the service.

The Convention was then called to order, and, on motion of the Rev. E. M. Forbes, adjourned to meet at 4 o'clock P. M.

At 4 P. M. the Convention was called to order by the Bishop. The Rev. Israel Harding read the report of the Committee on Credentials as follows:

The Committee on Credentials report that they find the following Parishes entitled to representation, and the following Delegates entitled to seats in the Primary Convention to be held in Christ Church, New Berne, December 12, 1883:

Dr. A. J. De Rosset moved that the Rev. Israel Harding call the roll of Lay Delegates, which was adopted.

The following Lay Delegates answered to their names to-wit:

Parishes. St. Thomas', Bath—

St. Paul's, Beaufort-

Delegates.
Jesse Cutler,
George Pilley.
J. L. Gibble,

Parishes.

St. Paul's, Beaufort-

St. John's, Durham's Creek, Beaufort county . . . }
Trinity Church, Beaufort co.—

Zion Church, Beaufort co.-

St. Thomas', Windsor— St. Paul's, Clinton— St. Paul's, Edenton—

Christ Church, Elizabeth City-

St. John's, Fayetteville-

St. Stephen's, Goldsboro-

St. Paul's, Greenville-

St. George's, Hyde co.-

St. Mary's, Kinston-

Holy Innocents, Lenoir co.— St. John's, Makeleyville—

Christ Church, New Berne-

St. John's, Pitt co.-

Delegates.

Alonzo Thomas, F. W. Taylor. Joseph L. Butt, Wm. M. Butt. Fred. Grist, W. R. Bright, W. H. Patrick, C. C. N. Cutler, Marcellus Braddy, Jesse Braddy. Frank D. Winston. James Ferrell, Wm. B. Shepard, John G. Wood. W. W. Griggs, W. J. Griffin. S. J. Hinsdale, R. S. Huske, George H. Haigh, W. A. Guthrie. J. H. Hill, W. H. Barnes, D. Cogdell. W. M. B. Brown, Charles Skinner. R. R. Cotten. A. B. Tunnel, James Adams, W. S. Gibbs. J. C. Washington, Samuel H. Abbott, George E. Miller, John R. Harding. N. B. Whitfield, W. H. Fortescue, C. W. Thomas. John Hughes, H. R. Bryan, George H. Roberts, John S. Long. Fred. Harding, W. A. Pugh, W. H. Smith,

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	Parishes.	Delegates.							
	St. John's, Pitt co.—	E. E. Powell.							
	Grace Church, Plymouth -	F. A. Boyle.							
	St. David's, Scuppernong—	Arthur Collins,							
		W. H. Hardison,							
		Dempsey Spruill							
	St. Peter's, Washington—	H. F. Hancock,							
		W. Z. Morton,							
		J. D. Myers.							
	Church of the Advent, Williamst	on—W. G. Lamb.							
•	St. James', Wilmington—	A. J. DeRosset, M. D.							
		J. G. Burr,							
		A. H. VanBokkelin,							
		Wm, Calder.							
	St. John's, Wilmington-	S. L. Fremont.							
	St. Mark's, Wilmington—	J. G. Norwood,							
		J. H. Davis,							
		Valentine Howe.							
	on—Armstead Daves.								
	St. Cyprian's, New Berne—	John B. Brown.							
	St. Barnabas, Snow Hill—	John D. Grimsley.							
Whol	e number of Parishes represented 2	24; Mission Stations, 3.							

The Convention then proceeded to the election of officers.

There were nominated for President, Rev. E. M. Forbes, Rev. A. A. Watson, D. D., and the Rev. Jos. C. Huske, D. D. The Chairman appointed as Tellers for the Clerical vote, Rev. Luther Eborn and Rev. Armand DeR. Meares, and for the Lay vote Frederick Harding and Wm. B. Shepard.

During the counting of the votes the Rev. A. A. Watson, D. D., moved that the rules of order of the Diocese of North Carolina be adopted as the rules of order for this Convention Carried.

The Tellers reported the result of the ballot:

Rev. E. M. Forbes, 22 votes; Rev. Dr. Watson, 39; Rev. Dr. Huske, 16; necessary to a choice, 39.

Dr. Watson was declared elected President of the Convention. The election of Secretary being in order the Rev. Messrs. N. Harding, Drane and Israel Harding were put in nomination. At this point the Rt. Rev. the Bishop of North Carolina withdrew,

and the President took the chair and requested the same Tellers to act, who reported the number of votes necessary to a choice 35. The Rev. N. Harding received 47, the Rev. R. B. Drane 12, and the Rev. I. Harding 11. The Rev. N. Harding was declared elected Secretary.

(Signed)

ROB'T B. DRANE, Sec'y pro tem.

Dr. A. J. De Rosset offered the following:

Whereas, The General Convention, at its recent session in the city of Philadelphia, did give its consent for the formation of a new Diocese within the limits of the original Diocese of North Carolina, embracing all the territory within the limits of the following counties, viz: Beaufort, Rertie, Bladen, Brunswick, Camden, Carteret, Chowan, Columbus, Craven, Cumberland, Currituck, Dare, Duplin, Gates, Greene, Hertford, Hyde, Jones, Lenoir, Martin, New Hanover, Onslow. Pamlico, Pasquotank, Pender, Perquimans, Pitt, Robeson, Sampson, Tyrrell, Washington and Wayne, 32 in number, and

Whereas, all the constitutional and canonical requirements for the formation of such new Diocese have been complied with, and

Whereas, Canon VI., Title 3 of the General Convention provides that the naming of the new Diocese shall be a part of its organization: therefore,

Resolved, That the Diocese as above indicated and described shall be named and known as the Diocese of Wilmington.

This was seconded.

The Rev. Dr. Huske moved to amend by substituting for "Wilmington," "East Carolina."

Mr. W. J. Griffin moved to amend Dr. Huske's proposition by substituting the name of "Roanoke."

A. H. VanBokkelin moved as a substitute for all the names that of "Albemarle." The vote being taken his substitute was lost.

Col. J. G. Burr offered as an amendment to the first amendment the name of "Carolina," which was lost.

The amendments offered by W. J. Griffin and J. G. Burr were rejected.

1883.] Committee to Nominate Permanent Committees.

Dr. Huske's amendment was adopted, and the original motion as thus amended adopted.

The Rev. Dr. Huske offered the following:

Resolved, That the Rt. Rev. Bishop of North Carolina be requested to take charge of this Diocese until a Bishop shall have been consecrated for the same.

Seconded and adopted.

The Convention took a recess until 8 P. M.

At 8 P. M. the Bishop called the Convention to order.

Dr. De Rosset moved that the election of a Bishop be postponed till 11 o'clock to-morrow, which was lost, reconsidered and afterward adopted.

Rev. Dr. Watson moved that the Constitution, Canons and Rules of Order of the Diocese of North Carolina be referred to the Committee on Canons, to be appointed, and that they report to next Convention. Carried.

On motion of F. A. Boyle visiting Clergy were invited to honorary seats in the Convention, whereupon the Rev. Dr. Baird, Rev. E. N. Joyner, Rev. Edward Wooten, Rev. Mr. Stubbs, Rev. John Huske and Rev. E. R. Rich took seats.

Dr. De Rosset moved that a committee of three clergymen and three laymen be appointed to nominate the committees to be elected by this Convention, among which shall be a committee on the division of the permanent and the current funds of the Diocese of North Carolina, and that they report to-morrow morning. Seconded and adopted.

The Rev. Dr. Huske moved that the Rev. Dr. Watson, Rev. Mr. Forbes, Rev. N. C. Hughes, Dr. De Rosset and Major John Hughes be appointed a committee to prepare a minute expressing the sense of this Convention in severing its relation to the Bishop Clergy and Laity of the Diocese of North Carolina. Carried.

On motion of Dr. Watson Dr. Huske was added to this committee.

The Rev. N. Harding asked that the Rev. Rob't B. Drane be

appointed as Assistant Secretary, and the appointment was made.

Maj. Hughes moved that the Committee on Nominations proposed by Dr. De Rosset be appointed by the Chairman, which motion was adopted, and the Chair appointed the Rev. Messrs. T. M. Ambler, I. Harding and V. W. Shields, and Col. Fremont, Dr. Hinsdale and Henry R. Bryan.

The Rev. Dr. Watson, of the Committee on Fraternal Relalations, reported the following:

WHEREAS, The Diocese of East Carolina, having completed its organization, is now formally separated from its sister Diocese of North Carolina: Its members in Diocesan Convention assembled desire to give parting expression to the love which is still in their hearts for their brethren once of the same Diocese. To the chief Pastor, who, under God, has now, for ten years, presided over the Church within their limits so ably and faithfully, they offer their hearty respect and gratitude, and their devout and earnest wishes, not unaccompanied by their prayers, that the Great Head of the Church may reward him for all his diligent labors in their behalf, and may bless him in all his ministry till that ministry shall end with life. From their brethren beloved, with whom they have labored so many years in the vineyard of the Lord, they part with hearts full of tender regrets and affectionate remembrances. Believing, as they do, that the separation is for the good of the Church, they would gratefully thank their brothers who have so unselfishly aided them in the establishment of their new fold. Out of the depth of their affection they would say, "Our hearts are as warm towards you as ever. We part as brethren, not as rivals, hoping that before long the provisions of the General Church for federative action may restore us to some measure of our past association. Let us live as brethren and be rivals only in our emulation in the work for our Master. Let there be no envies, jealousies or disparagements in our intercourse. Let us rejoice in each other's prosperity and sympathise with each other in their trials." That God may be with you, brethren, is our earnest prayer. Farewell!

Resolved, That a copy of the foregoing minute be presented to the Bishop with the request that he lay it before the next Convention of his Diocese.

By a standing vote this was adopted unanimously.

The Bishop here made an address expressive of his feelings.

The Rev. Dr. Watson moved that the scale of assessments remain the same as heretofore. Carried.

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Election of Bishop.

On motion the Convention adjourned to meet at $9\frac{1}{2}$ o'clock Thursday morning.

SECOND DAY.

CHRIST CHURCH, NEW BERNE, Thursday, Dec. 13, 1883.

At 11 o'clock A. M. the Convention met.

After prayers the Bishop appointed the Rev. Messrs. Israel Harding and Luther Eborn as Tellers for the Clerical vote for the Bishopric, who announced that twenty votes were cast, all for the Rev. A. A. Watson, D. D.

Col. N. B. Whitfield and Dr. W. M. B. Brown were appointed as Tellers for the Lay vote, who announced that there were 25 votes cast, eighteen for concurrence and seven against.

The Rev. Dr. Watson was declared elected.

Frank D. Winston moved to make the vote unanimous, which was adopted, and, by a rising vote, the Convention unanimously agreed.

The Rt. Rev. the Bishop congratulated the Convention.

Col. James G. Burr moved that a committee of two Clergymen and two Laymen be appointed to notify Dr. Watson of his election. Carried.

The Chairman appointed the Rev. Dr. Huske, the Rev. N. Collin Hughes, Col. Burr and Maj. John Hughes.

The Rev. Armand DeR. Meares moved the appointment of two Clergymen and one Layman to prepare the Testimonials of Election. Carried.

The Chairman appointed as such committee, the Rev. Messrs Israel Harding and Van Winder Shields and Dr. A. J. De Rosset.

The committee appeared and introduced the Bishop elect to the Convention.

The Chairman informed him of the action of the Convention

Permanent Committees Nominated.

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and he accepted the election on condition of its ratification by the General Church.

The Gloria in Excelsis was sung.

The Rev. T. M. Ambler, of the Committee on Nomination of Committees, reported to the Convention as follows:

STANDING COMMITTEE.

Rev. Jos. C. Huske, " N. Collins Hughes, Rev. Thomas M. Ambler, Maj. John Hughes,

Dr. A. J. De Rosset.

MISSIONARY COMMITTEE.

[The Rt. Rev. the Bishop, Chairman ex officio.]

Rev. Israel Harding, " T. M. Ambler,

Col. S. L. Fremont,

Col. I. W. Atkinson.

COMMITTEE ON CANONS.

Rev. Nathaniel Harding, Rev. Joseph C. Huske, D. D., " Van Winder Shields,

Judge J. C. McRae,

Henry R. Bryan.

FINANCE COMMITTEE.

Rev. N. C. Hughes,

George H. Haigh.

" Joseph C. Huske, D. D.,

F. R. Rose,

George H. Roberts.

EDUCATION COMMITTEE.

[The Rt. Rev. the Bishop, Chairman ex officio.] Rev. N. Collin Hughes,

John S. Long,

William Calder.

CHURCH BUILDING COMMITTEE.

[The Rt. Rev. the Bishop, Chairman ex officio.]

" Thomas B. Haughton, Rev. Robert B. Drane, Rev. Nathaniel Harding,

Frank H. Boyle,

William B. Shepard.

. TRUSTEES OF THE DIOCESE.

[The Rt. Rev. the Bishop, Chairman ex officio.]

George Davis, Col. S. L. Fremont. x883.1

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TRUSTEES OF THE UNIVERSITY OF THE SOUTH.

Rev. Van Winder Shields, William B. Shepard. Hon, R. P. Buxton.

TRUSTEES OF THE GENERAL THEOLOGICAL SEMINARY.

Rev. Nathaniel Harding,

- " Joseph C. Huske, D. D., N. Collin Hughes,
- " Israel Harding,
- " Robert B. Drane,

Dr. A. J. De Rosset, Henry R. Bryan, John H. Hill, Robert E. Calder.

DEPUTIES TO THE GENERAL CONVENTION.

Rev. N. Collin Hughes,

- " Joseph C. Huske, D. D.,
- " Rev. Nathaniel Harding,
- " Thomas M. Ambler,

Dr. A. J. De Rosset,

John Hughes,

J. C. McRae,

Col. J. W. Atkinson.

SUPPLEMENTARY DEPUTIES.

Rev. Israel Harding.

- " V. W. Shields.
- " R. B. Drane.
- Luther Eborn.

W. J. Griffin,

S. I. Hinsdale, DuBrutz Cutler.

Dr. John H. Hill.

On motion the ballot was dispensed with and the foregoing were elected, with the exception of the Trustees of the University of the South, whose election was postponed.

On motion of the Rev. Robert B. Drane, Col. James G. Burr was elected Historiographer of the Diocese.

On motion of Col. S. L. Fremont the Convention requested the Historiographer to confer with Rev. M. M. Marshall, D. D. Historiographer of the Diocese of North Carolina, with reference to documents in his possession relating to the early history of the Church in East Carolina.

William Calder moved that the first Annual Convention of the Diocese of East Carolina be held in St. James' Church, Wilmington, on the second Wednesday in May, 1884. Seconded.

Joseph D. Myers moved to amend, making the place of meeting St. Peter's Church, Washington. This was adopted, and the motion as thus amended was carried.

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Dr. A. J. De Rosset moved that the Secretary prepare an abstract of the proceedings of this Convention and have one thousand copies published for distribution, and that he also be directed to make to the Annual Convention in May next a full report of the proceedings of this Convention with an historical preface, showing the movements which have been made from time to time for the division of the Diocese of North Carolina. Carried.

William Calder moved that the Treasurer of the Diocese be allowed a commission of five per cent. on all monies coming into his hands, and that the Secretary have a salary of one hundred dollars per annum. Carried.

Frank D. Winston moved an expression of thanks to the Rector, congregation and community for the hospitality extended the Convention. Unanimously adopted.

Col. James G. Burr read the following:

At a meeting of the Vestry of St. James' Parish, Wilmington, held on the evening of Nov. 6, 1883, the following resolutions were unanimously adopted:

Resolved, That the delegation from this Parish to the Primary Convention at New Berne be authorized, on behalf of this Parish, to tender to the new Diocese the advance of such sum, not exceeding five hundred dollars, as may be needed to defray the expenses of the Diocese until its financial arrangements are perfected.

Resolved, That the Treasurer of this Parish be authorized to honor the draft or drafts of the Treasurer of the new Diocese in accordance with the foregoing resolution.

IAMES G. BURK, Secretary

Frank A. Boyle moved that the thanks of the Convention are tendered to the Parish of St. James, Wilmington, for their proffer of the loan of five hundred dollars to meet the immediate expense of this Convention, and that we accept their timely and generous offer. Carried.

On motion of Rev. Armand DeR. Meares it was

Resolved, That a Missionary Meeting be held at 7:30 P. M., at which such of the Clergy and Laity shall speak as may be appointed by the Bishop, and that a collection be made for Diocesan Missions.

The Rev. Israel Harding read the Testimonial of the Election

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of the Rev. Alfred Augustin Watson, D. D., to the Bishopric of the Diocese of East Carolina, and the members present proceeded to sign the document.

Dr. A. J. De Rosset moved that the Finance Committee be authorized to report at the next Convention some plan for increasing the Permanent Episcopal Fund. Carried.

The Bishop called the Rev. Dr. Huske to the chair and withdrew.

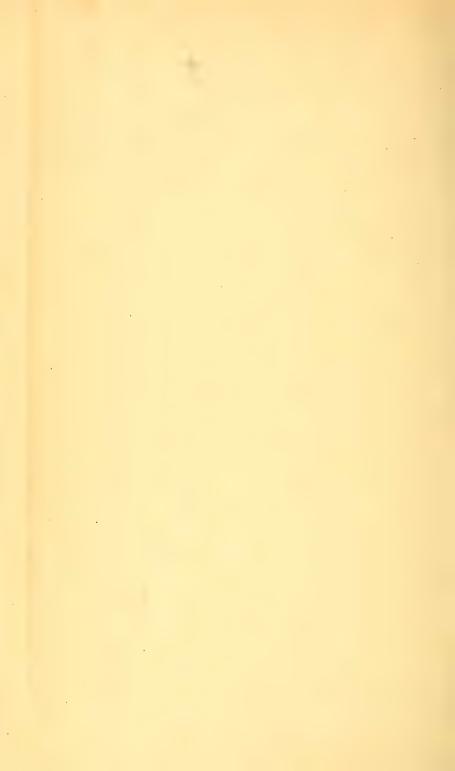
F. A. Boyle moved that after the signing of the Testimonial the Convention adjourn until 7:30 P. M. Carried.

The body adjourned accordingly.

At 7:30 P. M. there was a Missionary Meeting, at which addresses were delivered by Bishop Lyman, Bishop elect Watson, Rev. Mr. Thorpe, John S. Long, Col. James G. Burr and Rev. Dr. Huske.

The Convention was then called to order, the minutes of the day's session were read and approved, the Gloria in Excelsis was sung, the Bishop pronounced the Benediction and the Convention adjourned *sine dic*.

NATHANIEL HARDING, Secretary. ROB'T B. DRANE, Assistant Secretary.



Abstructs of Proceedings

RELATIVE TO DIVISION OF THE DIOCESE OF NORTH CAROLINA.

The first suggestion and the first action in regard to the division of the Diocese of North Carolina took place in the Convention held at Newbern in May, 1866.

It originated with Bishop Atkinson, and can be found in his address to that Convention, in which he speaks of his failing health, and says, "If the Convention shall think it best, in consideration of this state of facts, either to appoint me an assistant or to divide the Diocese, I hereby express my concurrence in any such measure." The matter was referred to a committee which recommended "that an Assistant Bishop be elected by this Convention, with the understanding that as soon as possible the Diocese is to be divided," but after considerable discussion, and the adoption of an amendment, to the last clause, of a disclaimer of any intention "to express any opinion against the propriety of a division of the Diocese whenever the same may be deemed expedient," this resolution, as amended, was lost on a vote by orders—the Clergy voting ave 16, no 7, the Parishes ave 9, no 10 —and the Convention resolved to meet in special session at Goldsboro, in November of the same year, to consider the subject. Upon the recommendation of the President of the Standing Committee that special session was not held, the Bishop, then in England, having written that he did not think the case one in which an Assistant Bishop would be allowed under the General Canons.

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At the Convention held in Wilmington in May, 1867, the Bishop again referred to the necessity for increased Episcopal service in the Diocese, and renewed his recommendation of a division of the Diocese or the appointment of an Assistant Bishop. The committee to whom the subject was referred reported that it would be impracticable to divide the Diocese at that time on account of the want of the requisite number of self-supporting Parishes, and advised the election of an Assistant Bishop, and a resolution to that effect was adopted; but finally the further consideration of the election of an Assistant Bishop was postponed to the meeting of the next Diocesan Convention.

The Convention of 1868 met in Tarboro, and the Bishop once more recommended the election of an Assistant Bishop, but the Convention decided to take no action in the matter for the present.

In 1869 the Convention held at Raleigh appointed a committee to take into consideration the subject of increased Episcopal services, to report to the next Annual Convention.

At the Convention in Edenton, in 1870, that committee reported but the consideration of the subject was postponed until the next Convention, and they were further instructed to report upon suffragan Bishops.

The Convention of 1871, at Warrenton, received the report from their committee recommending such legislation by the General Convention as will authorize the election of suffragan Bishops, which was adopted.

In the Convention of 1872, at Salisbury, the Bishop stated in his address that there was no disposition shown by the House of Bishops or House of Lay Delegates to amend the canon authorizing the election of suffragan Bishops, but two changes in the Constitution and Canons of the General Convention had been made, one to facilitate the division of Dioceses, and the other the election of Assistant Bishops.

The matter of the division of the Diocese or election of an Assistant Bishop was again referred to a committee, who reported

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in favor of the latter proposition, to be done at the next Convention, and that if permission be given to elect an Assistant Bishop it shall be done, with the understanding that as soon as possible the Diocese should be divided, which was adopted by the Convention.

The Bishop, in his address to the Convention of 1873, at Fayetteville, again referring to the want of more Episcopal service, said: "To provide for this want a division of the Diocese would be the best expedient, the most primitive, the most effective and the most satisfactory; but, under existing legislation, is for the present time impracticable, and that the only remedial measure which could now be adopted would be the election of an Assistant Bishop, a consent to which, I am glad to learn, has been obtained from a great majority of the Dioceses in our Communion." The Convention thereupon proceeded to the election, and the Rev. Theodore Benedict Lyman, D. D., was chosen Assistant Bishop of the Diocese of North Carolina.

The Convention of 1874, in St. John's Church, Wilmington, appointed a committee to consider and report to the next Convention "some plan of Division for the Diocese, and, if practicable, such an one as will still retain the whole State or Diocese under the government of one Convention or Council."

To the Convention of 1875, at Newbern, that Committee reported: first, that application be made to the General Convention for the division of the Diocese, and that the following boundary lines be proposed, viz: the western lines of the counties of Northampton, Halifax, Edgecombe, Wilson, Wayne, Sampson, Bladen, Columbus and Brunswick, together with a resolution in regard to a scheme of Federative Union and one as to an equitable division of the Permanent Episcopal Fund. The resolutions were ordered to be spread upon the minutes, and a committee of five—three clergy and two laymen—were appointed to report to the next Convention a plan for division which shall leave the whole Church in the State under one Council, with a Standing Committee for each Diocese, and providing for a House of Bishops whenever there shall be three Bishops in the State.

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The committee, under the last resolution, reported at the Convention of 1876, at Tarboro, in favor of division, and were requested to report further upon the subject at the next Convention.

The committee appointed in 1874 reported that they deemed it impracticable to take any steps in regard to division, and asked to be discharged, which was done.

The committee appointed in 1875 again reported to the Convention, at Charlotte in 1877, recommending the erection of a new Diocese consisting of all that portion of the State lying west of the western boundaries of the present counties of Northampton, Halifax, Nash, Wilson, Wayne, Sampson, Bladen and Columbus. This line was not agreed to, and a new line running east and west from Albemarle Sound to the Blue Ridge was proposed. This also being objected to, the whole subject was finally postponed to an adjourned meeting to be held in Christ Church, Raleigh, September 12, 1877. At the adjourned meeting the Bishop said, in his address, that to a division of the Diocese properly made he had given his consent, and he did not propose now to withdraw it, but he did not hesitate to avow that a division would involve on his part a painful severance of strong ties which bound him to every portion of it by the reciprocal affection between himself and the members of the Church. The Assistant Bishop made a statement of his views and asked, on account of the difference of opinion that prevailed in regard to the division, that the whole matter be indefinitely postponed; whereupon the following was adopted: "Whereas, there appears to be a want of such general consent in the minds of the members of this Convention as would render advisable the division of the Diocese: therefore, Resolved, That it is inexpedient to proceed to the division of the Diocese at this time," and so the matter rested.

Bishop Atkinson died in January, 1881, and, though the subject of division was not brought before the Convention of that year, it was freely discussed, not only in private circles but through the press, and assumed form and substance at the Convention in Tarboro in May, 1882. At that Convention it was resolved that

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the welfare of the Church in North Carolina demanded a division of the Diocese, and the only question was upon the line of division. A majority of the committee appointed to consider the matter reported in favor of a line "beginning on the Virginia line at the intersection of the northwestern line of the county of Northampton and following the western line of said county and of the counties of Halifax, Nash, Wilson, Wayne, Sampson, Bladen and Columbus, and that the new Diocese shall be that portion lying — of said line." Another line was proposed by a member of this committee as follows: "Running in a general east and west direction from the ocean to near the Blue Ridge, and thence northwardly near and along said Ridge to the Virginia line, said line running as follows, viz: Beginning in Oregon Inlet, following the inner beach northwardly to Albemarle Sound, thence up said Sound and Roanoke River to the western line of Martin county, thence along said line and the northern lines of Pitt, Greene, Wayne, Sampson, Harnett, Moore, Montgomery, Stanly, Cabarrus and Mecklenburg counties, thence following the course of the Catawba River to Caldwell county, thence westwardly around said county to Wilkes county, thence on the western lines of Wilkes and Surry to the Virginia line."

The majority report was adopted by the Convention, but not to take effect until ratified at the next Annual Convention, with such modification as might be then adopted.

The Sixty-Seventh Annual Convention, in St. Peter's Church, Charlotte, May 23d, 1883, consummated the division, so far as in their power, by adopting the following resolution:

Resolved, That, the General Convention assenting, a new Diocese be formed, out of the present Diocese of North Carolina, consisting of the counties of Hertford, Bertie, Martin, Pitt, Greene, Wayne, Sampson, Cumberland and Robeson and of all the counties lying between these counties and the Atlantic Ocean.

The Bishop gave his canonical consent to the division, and the General Convention, in October of the same year, ratified the act, and the long desired object was accomplished.

Organization of the New Diocese.

The Primary Convention of the new Diocese was held in Christ Church, Newbern, December 12th, 1883, and was organized under the name of the Diocese of East Carolina. The Rev. Alfred Augustin Watson, D. D, Rector of S. James' Parish, Wilmington was unanimously elected Bishop, and was consecrated, with imposing ceremonies, in the Church of which he had been for twenty-one years the Rector, on Thursday of Easter week, being the 17th day of April, 1884.

The following statistics have been carefully compiled from the U. S. Census of 1880, and the Journal of the Convention of the Diocese of North Carolina for 1883, and are believed to be correct:

Population—White Colored					Nor •	th Carolina. 649,806	Diocese of East Carolina. 217,461 203,771
Communicants* Total Contributions* .						978'768 3,020 \$36,595 55	421,232 2,809 \$30,143 69

^{*}See statement as to non-reporting Parishes, following Tables of Abstract of Parochial Reports for 1883. These figures include also the report of St. John's, Wilmington, for 1882, that Parish having likewise made no report in 1883.



OF THE

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A. D. 1884.

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HISTORIOGRAPHER:

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STANDING COMMITTEE:

The Rev. Joseph C. Huske, D. D.,

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Committees, Trustees, &c.,

[MAY,

EXECUTIVE MISSIONARY COMMITTEE:

The Rev. Israel Harding, The Rev. T. M. Ambler. H. G. Smallbones, J. W. Atkinson.

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The Rev. J. C. Huske, D. D., The Rev. Van Winder Shields.

John Hughes,

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COMMITTEE ON FINANCE:

The Rev. N. C. Hughes, D. D., The Rev. Israel Harding, George E. Miller, George H. Roberts, William Calder.

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The Rev. N. Collin Hughes, D. D.,

John S. Long, William Calder.

CHURCH BUILDING COMMITTEE:

The Rev. Rob't B. Drane,

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Wilson G. Lamb,

The Rev. T. B. Haughton.

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The Rt. Rev. Alfred A. Watson, D. D., George Davis, S. L. Fremont.

TRUSTEES OF THE UNIVERSITY OF THE SOUTH:

The Rev. Van Winder Shields,

W. B. Shepard, Ralph P. Buxton.

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The Rev. Nathaniel Harding,

The Rev. Jos. C. Huske, D. D.,

The Rev. N. Collin Hughes, D. D.,

The Rev. Israel Harding,

The Rev. Rob't B. Drane.

A. J. De Rosset, M. D.

Henry R. Bryan,

John Hill,

Robert Calder,

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Deputies to General Convention.

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The Rev. Nathaniel Harding,

The Rev. T. M. Ambler,

A. J. De Rosset, M. D., John Hughes, Jas. C. McRae,

SUPPLEMENTARY DEPUTIES:

The Rev. Israel Harding, The Rev. V. W. Shields, The Rev. R. B. Drane, The Rev. Luther Eborn, W. J. Griffin, S. J. Hinsdale, DuBrutz Cutlar, John H. Hill, M. D.

John W. Atkinson.

Alphabetical Tist of the Clergy.

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The Rt. Rev. Alfred Augustin Watson, D. D., Bishop, Wilmington.

PRIESTS.

The Rev. Ambler, Thomas M., Rector, St. Paul's, Wilmington, and Examining Chaplain.

Carmichael, James, D. D., Rector, St. John's, Wilmington, and Examining Chaplain.

Drane, Robert B., Rector, St. Paul's, Edenton.

Eborn, Luther, Rector, St. David's, Washington co.

Forbes, E. M., Rector, St. Paul's, Beaufort, and Examining Chaplain.

Harding, Israel, Rector, St. Mary's, Kinston, Holy Innocents, Lenoir county, and St. John's, Pitt county.

Harding, Nathaniel, Rector, St. Peter's, Washington, Examining Chaplain and Secretary of the Convention.

Haughton, Thos. B., Rector, Church of the Advent, Williamston.

Hughes, N. Collin, D. D., Rector, St. Paul's, Greenville, and Missionary in Pitt, Craven and Beaufort counties, and Examining Chaplain, P.O. Chocowinity.

Huske, Joseph C., D. D., Rector, St. John's, Fayetteville.

Kiernan, John, Rector, Christ Church, Elizabeth City. Shields, Van Winder, Rector, Christ Church, Newbern, and Examining Chaplain.

Thorpe, Thomas M.

Lists of Clergy, Candidates, &c.

DEACONS.

The Rev. Barber, Samuel S., officiating in St. John's, Makeley-ville, Hyde county; P. O. Lake Comfort.

Brady, Charles O., officiating in St. Mark's, Wilmington.

Burr, E. Chrysostom.

Cassey, Peter W., officiating in St. Cyprian's, Newbern, McDuffey, Henry S., officiating in St. Joseph's, Fayetteville.

Hughes, N. C., Jr., officiating St. John's, Durham's Creek.

Meares, Armand DeR., Assistant Minister S. James', Wilmington, and Missionary.

Morelle, Daniel, Teaching in Wilmington.

Price, Nymphas E., officiating in St. Thomas', Bath.

Windley, Robert B., officiating in Zion Church, Beaufort county; P. O. Bunyan, Beaufort co.

CANDIDATES FOR PRIEST'S ORDERS.

The Rev. S. S. Barber,

" N. E. Price.

" N. E. Price,
" P. W. Cassey,

The Rev. C. O. Brady,

" A. DeR. Meares

CANDIDATES FOR DEACONS' ORDERS.

Mr. F. M. Skinner,

Mr. W. A. Tillinghast.

POSTULANTS.

H. H. Phelps, T. E. Cutler, John Ravenscroft Harding, Claudius F. Smith.

EXAMINING CHAPLAINS.

The Rev. Jas. Carmichael, D. D., The Rev. T. M. Ambler.

The Rev. E. M. Forbes, The Rev. Van Winder Shields.

The Rev. N. C. Hughes, D. D., The Rev. Nathaniel Harding.

Committees to Report to the Convention

OF 1885.

COMMITTEE ON CANONS,

The Rev. J. C. Huske, D. D.,

V. W. Shields,

T. M. Ambler.

John Hughes,

A. J. De Rosset, M. D.

Committee appointed to Inquire and Report a Plan for the Formation of a League or Brotherhood to Aid the Families of the Deceased Clergymen in the Diocese:

The Rt. Rev. Alfred A. Watson, D. D.,

J. W. Atkinson, W. L. De Rosset.

Tist of Parishes and Aission Stations

IN THE DIOCESE,

AND OF DELEGATES ENTITLED TO SEATS IN THE CONVENTION OF 1884.

(Those marked thus * were present. Mission Stations in italics.)

St. Thomas' Church, Bath.

William Gaylord,

Jas. F. Carrow,*

Joseph Y. Bonner,*

Joseph Crawley.

St. Paul's Church, Beaufort.

Jas. C. Davis, F. Borden Mace, A. C. Davis, Sr., Wm. Alexander, M. R. Geffroy,

Alonzo Thomas, I. L. Gibble.

N. W. Taylor.

St. John's, Durham's Creek, Beaufort county.

Edward Tripp, A. B. Tuten,

Joseph L. Butt,* W. M. Butt.*

St. James' Church, Beaufort county.

D. W. Jarvis,*

Samuel W. Clark,*

George L. Swindell,*

T. W. J. Lewellyn.

Trinity Church, Beaufort county.

W. H. Patrick,*
Fred Grist.*

John Hughes,*
Isaac W. Hughes,*

Harvey Bright, L. B. Archbell, George Bright, H. H. Barber.

Aurora Mission, Beaufort county.

Zion Church, Beaufort county.

J. J. Cutler,*
C. C. N. Cutler,
Jesse Braddy,*

James H. Alligood,*

Benjamin Braddy,*
R. B. Cutler,
A. N. Cutler,
John W. Alligood.

Holy Innoeents, Avoca, Bertie county,

Grace Church, Bertie county.

St. Paul's Church, Clinton.

St. Andrew's Mission, Columbia.

St. Paul,s Church, Edenton,

W. B. Shepard, John G. Wood, Thomas Thompson,* H. H. Page. J. R. McCurdy, W. Y. Warren, Frank Wood, W. I. Leary.

St. John, Evangelist, Mission, Edenton.

Anderson Luton.*

Christ Church, Elizabeth City.

St. John's Church, Fayetteville.

S. J. Hinsdale, F. R. Rose, R. S. Huske, John B. Broadfoot, A. B. Dangerfield, John C. Haigh, Jr., Weldon Huske, W. E. Kyle.

St. Joseph's Church, Fayetteville.

D. Buxton, F. P. Williston, T. H. McNeil, I. S. Leary. George H. Williams, W. H. Ochiltree, James Williams, Isaac B. Hall.

St. Mary's Church, Gatesville.

St. Peter's Mission, Gates county.

St. Stephen's Church, Goldsboro.

Dr. D. Cogdell, O. Holmes, E. F. Hatch, Geo. B. Royall, Dr. Thomas Hill, H. P. Dortch, Dr. DuPont, B. M. Privett

St. Paul's Church, Greenville.

R. R. Cotten,* Dr. Richard Williams, Charles Skinner,* J. B. Worsley,* Harry Skinner,
J. F. Joyner,
Dr. Zeno Brown,
Dr. W. M. B. Brown,

St. Martin's Church, Hamilton.

R. H. Everett,
J. P. Boyle,*
J. H. Martin,*
W. T. Clung,*
H. J. Clarke, M. D.,
G. C. Lamb,
N. H. Sebrell,
T. E. Darden.

Holy Trinity, Hertford.

St. George's Church, Hyde county.

M. Selby, M. D.,*
H. S. Gibbs,*
W. P. Midyett,*
Edward Clark, M. D.,*

Jamesville Mission, Jamesville.

St. Mary's Church, Kinston.

J. C. Washington,
S. H. Abbott,
J. B. Haskett,
Ceorge E. Miller,*

D. S. Davis,
John R. Harding,
Levi A. Mewborn,
Walter H. Harding.

Holy Innocents, Lenoir county.

Nathan B. Whitfield, Christopher Turner, George Jones, Richard A. Jones, Wm. Cobb Whitfield, M. D., John H. Blount.

St. John's Church, Makeleyville.

W. H. Fortescue, Metruk Makeley, A. J. Tooley, George C. Newman.

Christ Church, Newbern.

John Hughes,*

H. R. Bryan,
George H. Roberts,
John S. Long,*

W. H. Oliver,
George B. Guion,
R. Ransom,
R. H. Hilton.

St. Cyprian's Church, Newbern.

Carleton E. Palmer,* Nathan H. Styron, John B. Brown,* Abram A. Bryan.

St. John's Church, Pitt county.

Wm. H. Smith, S. B. Kilpatrick,

Parishes, Missions, Delegates and Alternates.

MAY,

St. John's Church, Pitt county.

Fred Harding,*
W. S. Wootten,*
J. L. Tucker,*

W. J. Laughinghouse, J. E. May, E. E. Powell,

Grace Church, Plymouth.

W. H. Ward, T. O. Vail,* F. A. Boyle,* D. S. Carraway.

St. Barnabas' Mission, Snow Hill.

St. Paul's Church, Vanceboro.

St. Peter's Church, Washington.

E. S. Hoyt,*
W. A. Blount,*
J G. Bragaw,*
T. H. B. Myers,*

Wm. B. Morton, J. D. Myers, C. F. Ellison, T. Cutler.

St. Luke's Church, Washington county.

St. David's Church, Washington county.

D. Spruill,*
N. O. Eborn,*
Arthur Collins,
C. L. Pettigrew,*

H. H. Hardison, E. Dunstan, A. Armstrong, S. S. Woodley.

Church of the Advent, Williamston.

Wilson G. Lamb,* Jos. M. Sitterson, Gideon Lamb,* W. Z. Morton, Jr.,

Alexander Smith, Wheeler Martin, Thos. S. Burbank. M. D., A. B. Cofield.

S. James' Church, Wilmington.

A. J. De Rosset, M. D.,* W. L. De Rosset,* J. W. Atkinson,* William Calder,* James G. Burr, Clayton Giles, R. E. Calder, J. L. Boatwright.

St. John's Church, Wilmington.

S. L. Fremont, Joshua T. James, Walter Rutland, W. H. Green, A. Holmes, John J. Fowler, * O. P. Meares, Jr.,* John E. Lippitt.

Parishes, Missions, Delegates and Alternates.

St. Mark's Church, Wilmington.

J. G. Norwood,	J. O. Nixon,
John H. Davis,	G. W. Betts,
Valentine Howe,	J. H. Rhone,
W. J. Stewart,	R. P. Hall.

St. Paul's Church, Wilmington.

R. G. Rankin,	R. E. Heide,
W. G. McRae,	F. H. Mitchell,
H. A. Burr,	W. H. Bernard,
R. B. Wood,	DuBrutz Cutlar.

St. Thomas' Church, Windsor.

D. C. Winston,*	L. S. Webb,
J. J. Jacocks,*	J. A. Grant,
Theophilus Overby,*	J. B. Grey,
Francis D. Winston,*	H. K. Parker.

St. John's Church, Winton.

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OF THE

Proceedings of the Convention of 1884.

FIRST DAY.

St. Peter's Church, Washington, N. C., Wednesnay, May 14, 1884.

The First Annual Convention of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the Diocese of East Carolina assembled in St. Peter's Church, Washington, at 10 o'clock A. M.

The Rt. Rev. the Bishop of the Diocese offered prayers and called the Convention to order.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following Clergymen answered to their names:

The Rt. Rev. Alfred A. Watson, D. D.,

The Rev. Joseph C. Huske, D. D.,

- " " N. C. Hughes, D. D.,
- " " Israel Harding,
- " " Luther Eborn,
- " " John Kiernan,
- " " Nathaniel Harding,
- " " Robert B. Drane,
- ". " C. O. Brady,
- " " N. E. Price,
- " " R. B. Windley,
- " " N. C. Hughes, Jr.,
- " " H. S. McDuffey.

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The following Delegates, entitled to seats in the Convention, answered to their names:

Jos. L. Butt, D. W. Jarvis, Samuel S. Clark, J. J. Cutler, Jesse Braddy, Jas. H. Alligood, Thomas Thompson, R. R. Cotten, W. T. Clary, J. H. Martin, N. B. Whitfield, W. Cobb Whitfield, M. D., Fred. Harding, W. S. Wootten, J. L. Tucker, E. S. Hoyt, W. A. Blount, M. D., J. G. Bragaw, T. H. B. Myers, D. Spruill, N. O. Eborn, C. L. Pettigrew, Gideon Lamb, W. G. Lamb, A. J. De Rosset, M. D., W. L. De Rosset, John J. Fowler, O. P. Meares, Jr., Frank D. Winston, J. J. Jacocks, William Calder, John R. Hughes, Fred Grist, Wm. A. Patrick—34.

A quorum of both orders being present, the Bishop declared the Convention duly organized, and,

On motion, the Convention took a recess for Divine Service. Morning Prayer was said by the Rev. R. B. Drane and the Rev. N. C. Hughes, Jr., the Rev. James Carmichael, D. D., reading the Litany. The Bishop began the office for the Admistration of the Holy Communion, the Epistle being read by the Rev. Israel Harding, and the Gospel by the Rev. Jos. C. Huske D. D. The Sermon was preached by the Rev. N. C. Hughes, D. D., from Zech. iv: 6: "Not by might, nor by power, but by my Spirit, saith the Lord of Hosts." [See Appendix A—II.] The offerings of the congregation for Diocesan Missions were received and presented by the Bishop. The Bishop proceeded with the Administration of the Holy Communion, being assisted by the Rev. Dr. Huske and the Rev. N. Harding.

After Divine Service the Convention reassembled, and,

On motion, the Rev. E. M. Forbes was unanimously elected President.

On motion the Rev. N. Harding was elected Secretary. Col. J. W. Atkinson offered the following resolution:

Resolved, That all Clergymen, Rectors or Assistant Ministers of Parishes within the limits of the Diocese of East Carolina, who were so resident at the time of the organization of said Diocese, are entitled to seats in this Convention as members thereof.

Fraternal Greetings.

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Wm. Calder obtained leave and offered the following resolution:

Resolved, That the Secretary be instructed to send the following by telegraph to the Secretary of the Convention of North Carolina:

"The Diocese of East Carolina in Convention assembled send fraternal greeting to their brethren of North Carolina, praying that the Holy Ghost may direct, sanctify and govern them and us in our present work."

Carried.

On motion of F. D. Winston the Convention then adjourned till 5 o'clock P. M.

WEDNESDAY, 5 o'clock P. M.

The Bishop called the Convention to order.

The Secretary read the following telegram from the Convention of South Carolina:

CHARLESTON, S. C., May 14, 1884.

To Bishop Watson:

The Ninety-fourth Annual Convention of the Diocese of South Carolina sends fraternal greetings to the First Convention of East Carolina.

[Signed] W. B. W. HOWE, *Pres't Convention*.

On motion of F. D. Winston the following dispatch was sent in reply:

The First Annual Convention of the Diocese of East Carolina reciprocates the fraternal greeting of the Annual Convention of the Diocese of South Carolina, and prays that a wise Providence will guide, direct and bless them and us in our work.

A. A. WATSON, Bishop.

Col. Atkinson's motion was then taken up.

John S. Long offered the following as an amendment:

Resolved, That the Committee on Canons be instructed to report at the earliest moment a modification of the Constitution and Canons, and that

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Clergymen belonging to the Diocese but not entitled to seats be allowed all the privileges of the Convention, except the right to vote, until such report shall have been made and adopted by the Convention.

On motion of William Calder the whole subject was indefinitely postponed.

The Rev. N. C. Hughes, D. D., read the report of the Committee on Finance:

The Committee on Finance report that they have examined the accounts of the Treasurer, have compared them with the vouchers, and find them in order and correct.

N. COLLIN HUGHES, Chairman.

F. D. Winston nominated Dr. A. J. De Rosset for Treasurer and moved that his election be made unanimous. Carried.

Rev. Dr. Huske, of the Committee on Canons, read report of that Committee as follows:

The Committee on Canons ask leave to report: That upon examination of the Constitution and Canons and Rules of Order as changed by resolution of the Primary Convention, with a view to a general report on this subject, they find a conflict between Rule of Order No. V. and Sec. 1 of Canon VIII. in regard to the number of persons which shall compose the Committees on Elections, New Parishes and Unfinished Business, which needs to be removed by the immediate action of the Convention in order to relieve the Bishop or President of the Convention from the necessity of violating either the Rule of Order or the Canon in appointing the aforesaid committees.

The Committee do not deem it worth while to put into this report the history of the changes which have taken place in the Canon and Rule of Order since their first adoption, which would show how this conflict happened to arise, viz: by inadvertent adoption of the recommendation of the Committee on Canons of 1881, but ask the consent of the Convention, after verbal explanation of the matter, to the adoption of the following resolutions:

Resolved, 1st, That all after the words "Section 1" of Canon VIII. be stricken out, and the following be inserted: "The following shall be the Regular Committees of the Convention of this Diocese:

PERMANENT COMMITTEES.

[1.] In addition to the Standing Committee there shall be annually elected

the following Committees, who shall remain in office until the election of their successors, viz: An Executive Missionary Committee and a Church Building Committee, to consist each of five, and an Education Committee, to consist of three persons, besides the Bishop who shall be *ex officio* Chairman of said Committees.

There shall be annually appointed by the Bishop, or in his absence by the President of the Convention, the following Committees, who shall remain in office until their successors are appointed, viz: a Committee on Canons, to consist of three clergymen and two laymen, and a Committee on Finance, to consist of two clergymen and three laymen.

OTHER COMMITTEES.

[2.] The following Committees shall also be appointed by the Bishop or President of the Convention as soon as may be after the opening of the Convention, viz: The Committee on Elections, the Committee on New Parishes, the Committee on Unfinished Business, to consist each of one clergyman and two laymen, and the Committee on the State of the Church to consist of three clergymen and two laymen.

Resolved, 2d, That Rule of Order No. V. be amended so as to read as follows:

V. The following Committees shall be appointed by the Bishop or presiding officer as soon as may be after the opening of the Convention, viz:

The Committee on Elections;

The Committee on New Parishes:

The Committee on Unfinished Business,

to consist each of one clergymen and two laymen, and

The Committee on the State of the Church,

to consist of three clergymen and two laymen.

Resolved, 3d, That the Constitution and Canons and Rules of Order as amended by act of this Convention, together with all propositions to make further changes in the same which may be adopted by this Convention be referred to the Committee on Canons, with instructions to report to the next Annual Convention of the Diocese.

J. C. HUSKE, Chairman.

The resolutions offered by the Committee were adopted.

Col. Atkinson moved that Rule of Order No. V. be altered to accord with Canon just adopted. Carried.

Rev. E. M. Forbes moved that visiting clergymen and candi-

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Report of Standing Committee.

dates for Holy Orders be invited to seats in the Convention. Carried.

The Rev. R. B. Drane moved that the Secretary be authorized to draw on the Treasurer for money to purchase a suitable book for Minutes, and other necessary expenses. Carried.

The Rev. Dr. Huske presented and read the report of the Standing Committee.

REPORT OF THE STANDING COMMITTEE OF THE DIOCESE OF EAST CAROLINA.

The Standing Committee respectfully report that immediately after their election by the Primary Convention of the Diocese at Newbern, in December last, they organized by the election of the Rev. J. C. Huske, D. D., as President and Dr, A. J. De Rosset as Secretary.

Under order of the Committee made at said meeting the necessary Testimonials were prepared by the Secretary and transmitted to the Standing Committees of all the different Dioceses of this Church, notifying them of the election by the Primary Convention of this Diocese of the Rev. Alfred Augustin Watson, D. D., Rector of S. James' Church, Wilmington, N. C., as Bishop of the Diocese of East Carolina, and asking their consent to his consecration, and that upon the receipt by him of the consent of the Standing Committees of thirty-four out of the forty-eight Dioceses of this Church, under order of the Committee made at a meeting held in Wilmington, Feb. 12, 1884, the Evidence of such Consent, together with other Testimonials, were forwarded to the Presiding Bishop.

The Committee deem it proper to state, as a part of their report, that under the order of the Presiding Bishop the consecration of the said Rev. Alfred Augustin Watson, D. D., took place in S. James' Church, in the city of Wilmington, N. C., on the 17th day of April, 1884, being the Thursday in Easter Week, the Rt. Rev. William Mercer Green, D. D., Bishop of Mississippi, being Consecrator, assisted by Rt. Rev. William Bell White Howe, Bishop of South Carolina, and Rt. Rev. Theodore Benedict Lyman, D. D., Bishop of North Carolina. The Sermon was preached by Rt. Rev. Bishop Lyman, from Acts i: 20: "And his Bishopric let another take." The Bishop elect was presented by the Rt Rev. Bishop Howe, D. D., and the Rt. Rev. Rishop A. M. Randolph, D. D., Assistant Bishop of Virginia. Rt. Rev Henry Adams Neely, D. D., Bishop of Maine, and the Rt. Rev. Bishop George F. Seymour, D. D., Bishop of Springfield, were present and took part in the services. They deem it proper also to add that at the time of said Consecration they had received the consent of the Standing Commit tees of forty-six of the forty-eight Dioceses of this Church, and that since

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that event they have received the consent of the Standing Committees of the remaining two Dioceses, with letters explaining the delay of their papers and expressing their regrets for its occurrence, together with most cordial good wishes for the weltare of the newly consecrated Bishop and his Diocese.

On April 17, 1884, the Committee gave their consent to the admission of Robert Strange to the Holy Order of Deacons.

J. C. HUSKE, Pres't.

On motion it was resolved that the sessions of the Convention shall be from 10 A. M. to 2 P. M., and from 4 to 7 P. M.

On motion of the Rev. N. C. Hughes the Convention adjourned to 10 A. M. Thursday.

SECOND DAY.

St. Peter's Church, Washington, N. C., Thursday, May 15, 1884, 10 A. M.

After Morning Prayer the Bishop called the Convention to order.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following members, in addition to those present on yesterday, answered to their names: Rev. E. M. Forbes, Rev. Van Winder Shields, Rev. T. M. Ambler, Rev. Thomas B. Haughton, Messrs. Samuel W. Clark, Chas. Skinner, Edward Clark, M. D., S. H. Abbott, George E. Miller, John Hughes, George H. Roberts, John S. Long, W. H. Oliver, Carleton E. Palmer, John B. Brown, F. O. Vail, F. A. Boyle, Wilson G. Lamb, Francis D. Winston.

The minutes of yesterday's session were read and approved.

The Secretary read a telegram from the Diocese of North Carolina as follows:

OXFORD, N. C., May 14, 1884.

Rev. N. Harding, Secretary:

The Convention of North Carolina sends its cordial greetings and best wishes to the Convention of East Carolina.

T. B. LYMAN, Bishop.

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Regular Committees. Bishop's Address.

The Bishop appointed the following Regular Committees:

COMMITTEE ON CANONS:

Rev. Joseph C. Huske, D. D.,

John Hughes,

" V. W. Shields,

A. J. De Rosset, M. D.

" T. M. Ambler,

COMMITTEE ON STATE OF THE CHURCH:

Rev. Robert B. Drane,

F. D. Winston.

" Luther Eborn,

J. G. Bragaw.

" N. C. Hughes, Jr.,

COMMITTEE OF FINANCE:

Rev. N. C. Hughes, D. D.,

George E. Miller,

" Israel Harding,

George H. Roberts, William Calder.

COMMITTEE ON ELECTIONS:

Rev. N. C. Hughes, Jr.,

O. P. Meares, Jr.,

E. S. Hoyt.

COMMITTEE ON NEW PARISHES:

Rev. Thomas B. Haughton,

F. A. Boyle,

R. H. Everett.

COMMITTEE ON UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

Rev. N. E. Price,

C. L. Pettigrew,

R. R. Cotton.

The Bishop read his Annual Address (see Appendix A—I.), which, on motion of the Rev. Dr. Huske, was referred to the Committee on the State of the Church.

The Rev. R. B. Drane read the following report from the Church Building Committee:

The Church Building Committee respectfully report that no business has come before it.

R. B. DRANE, Chairman.

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The Rev. Joseph C. Huske, D. D., Chairman of the Committee on Canons, submitted resolutions as follows:

Resolved, 1st, That where the words "North Carolina" occur in the title page on Canons of the Diocese the words "East Carolina" be substituted.

Resolved, 2d, That in Canon XVII., Section r, the word "six" be stricken out and the word "three" be inserted, and that in the same Canon the words "of Raleigh, of Charlotte and of Morganton" be stricken out.

Col. W. L. De Rosset moved to amend by striking out all reference to the title page.

F. D. Winston moved to table the amendment. Carried, and The resolutions were adopted.

Rev. T. M. Ambler offered the following resolution:

Resolved, That Section 2 of Canon XIX. be amended by striking out in the second line the clause "the clerical members of the Diocesan Convention" and also the last sentence of said Canon.

On motion of Dr. A. J. De Rosset the resolution was referred to the Committee on Finance.

Col. J. W. Atkinson offered the following resolution:

Resolved, That a committee of three, of which the Bishop shall be chairman, be appointed to inquire and report to the Convention of this Diocese, at its next session, a plan for the formation of a league or brotherhood to aid the families of deceased clergymen in this Diocese.

Carried.

The Bishop appointed J. W. Atkinson and W. L. De Rosset as such committee.

Col. W. L. De Rosset introduced the following resolution:

Resolved, That the Constitution of this Diocese be amended by omitting the word "Convention" and inserting "Council" wherever the former occurs as referring to the representative body of the Church in this Diocese.

Referred to Committee on Canons.

Dr. A. J. De Rosset presented the following as a proposed

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Proposed Constitution.

Constitution, and moved its reference to the Committee on Canons:

ARTICLE I.

This Diocese, embracing all that portion of the territory of the State of North Carolina including the counties of Hertford, Bertie, Martin, Pitt, Greene, Wayne, Sampson, Cumberland and Robeson, and all the counties lying between these counties and the Atlantic Ocean, as established by the Sixty-seventh Convention of the Diocese of North Carolina in May, 1883, at Charlotte, shall be known as the Diocese of East Carolina.

ARTICLE II.

The Church in this Diocese acceeds to and adopts the Constitution of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the United States of America, as set forth in the General Convention thereof, and acknowledges its authority accordingly.

OR,

The Church in this Diocese acceeds to the Constitution of that branch of the Holy Catholic Church known as the Protestant Episcopal Church in the United States of America, and recognizes the authority of the General Convention thereof.

ARTICLE III.

Sec. r. For the purpose of receiving reports and other information as to the condition and progress of the Church in this Diocese, and of consulting upon such measures and enacting such laws as may seem good for its welfare and government, there shall be held an *Annual Council* to meet within the Diocese on the Wednesday next succeeding the fourth Sunday after Easter in each year, at such place as may have been designated by a preceding Council, or appointed by other authority of the Diocese as may by Canon be provided.

Sec. 2. The Council shall be composed of the two Orders, Clerical and Lay.

Sec. 3. The Bishop of the Diocese, or in his absence the Assistant Bishop, if there be one, or the Bishop in charge, as representing the Episcopal authority shall, if present, preside at all meetings of he Council.

Sec. 4. Every clergyman of the Church having been canonically connected with and resident within the Diocese for twelve months preceding any meeting of the Council, including such portion of the time as he may have been a candidate for orders, shall be entitled to a seat and vote in the Council, provided that the restrictions as above in regard to residence shall not apply to Professors, &c. (see Section 3 Article III. old Constitution,)

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Sec. 5. Each regularly organized Parish now within the Diocese, or which may hereafter be admitted into union with the Council, shall be entitled to be represented by one or more Lay Delegates not exceeding ——, chosen by the Vestry from among the male communicants of the Parish, and in case of any Parish having no male communicant, the Vestry may elect one or more delegates duly qualified as above from any other Parish or Parishes of the Diocese, *Provided*, that no person shall be allowed to represent more than one Parish in the same meeting of the Council. No person, Clerical or Lay, under Ecclesiastical censure, publicly declared by a competent tribunal, shall be admissable to a seat in the Council.

Sec. 6. It shall be lawful for the Council to provide by Canon for the exclusion or suspension of Lay Representation from any Parish neglecting or refusing to be represented in the Council for two successive years, or neglecting or refusing to comply with any lawful requirement of the Council, provided that a vote of two-thirds of those present in both Orders shall be required for such exclusion or suspension.

Sec. 7. If any Parish shall neglect or decline to appoint Lay Delegates, or shall have been excluded or suspended from the right of doing so by the Council, or if any or all those appointed shall not be present, such Parish shall nevertheless be bound by the acts of the Council.

On motion referred to the Committee on Canons.

F. A. Boyle offered the following resolution:

Resolved, That the 1st Article of the Constitution be amended so as to read, "The Church in the Diocese of East Carolina," instead of "the Church in this Diocese."

Referred to the Committee on Canons.

Col. W. L. De Rosset offered the following:

Resolved, That the question relating to the time and place for the assembling of the next Annual Convention be referred to a committee of three.

Col. Atkinson moved to amend by striking out "place." Lost. The original resolution was also lost.

John S. Long introduced a resolution as follows:

Resolved, That the Church Messenger, published in Charlotte, and edited by the Rev. E. N. Joyner, is a religious journal of high character and effective influence, that it has rendered good service to the cause of religion in 1884.] New Parishers. Gen. Theo. Seminary. N. C. Scholarship Fund.

North Carolina, and that we recommend it to the confidence and support of all the Clergy and Laity within the bounds of this Diocese.

Carried.

Dr. A. J. De Rosset moved that all clergymen who are accorded a seat in this Convention be invited to take part in the discussions of this body. Carried.

On motion of O. P. Meares, Jr., the following resolution was referred to the Committee on Canons:

Resolved, That the world "twelve" in Section 3 Article III be stricken out and the word "six inserted, so as to read, "As well as having been a resident therein for six calendar months."

The Rev. Thomas B. Haughton read the following report from the Committee on New Parishes:

The Committee on New Parishes respectfully report that they have examined the papers relating to the formation of St. Cyprian's Mission, Newbern, and find them in due form and correct, and do therefore recommend the admission of the Parish, and that the delegates therefrom be admitted to seats.

Adopted.

Rev. Israel Harding offered the following resolution:

Resolved, That this Convention listened to the Opening Sermon yesterday by the Rev. N. C. Hughes, with great pleasure and interest, and desire to express their appreciation by asking of him a copy of same for publication.

Carried.

Rev. B. B. Drane introduced the following:

WHEREAS, In the resolution adopted by the Convention in St. Peter's, Charlotte, with reference to a division of the permanent funds of the Diocese of North Carolina, did not name the North Carolina Scholarship Fund in the General Theological Seminary; therefore,

Resolved, That the attention of the Joint Committee be called to this Fund, and it be authorized to take final action for this Diocese.

Carried.

Rev. N. E. Price submitted this report:

Your Committee on Unfinished Business beg leave to report that they have examined the Abstract of the Proceedings of the Primary Convention of the Diocese of East Carolina, and find therein nothing requiring a report to this Convention.

N. E. PRICE, Chairman.

Col. J. W. Atkinson moved to reconsider the vote by which St. Cyprian's Parish, was admitted in the Diocese. Carried.

Re-referred to Committee on New Parishes, reported on favorably by committee, and the report was adopted by the Convention.

Dr. A. J. De Rosset moved that the Treasurer be authorized to pay the expenses of such clergy as are in attendance upon this Convention being in charge of Parishes but not entitled to seats. Carried.

Col. W. L. De Rosset moved to adjourn till 4 P. M. Carried.

THURSDAY, May 15-4.20 P. M.

The Bishop called the Convention to order.

The Secretary, under instruction from the Primary Convention, reported that he had prepared a full record of the proceedings of that Convention, together with an historical preface, written by the Rev. R. B. Drane.

On motion of Dr. De Rosset the preface was referred to a committee of three for revision and correction, the committee to report to-morrow.

The Bishop appointed the committee as follows: Rev. R. B. Drane, Col. W. L. De Rosset and Maj. John Hughes.

The following telegram was received and read:

The Convention of the Diocese of Georgia send fraternal greetings to the Bishop and Diocese of East Carolina on their first meeting in Convention.

REV. W. C. HUNTER, SAMUEL HALL.

Permanent Committees.

On motion, Rev. Van Winder Shields and F. A. Boyle were appointed to respond to this telegram.

On motion of Dr. A. J. De Rosset the Convention went into the election of committees. The following were elected:

STANDING COMMITTEE:

Rev. J. C. Huske, D. D., Rev. T. M. Ambler, Rev. N. C. Hughes and Messrs. A. J. De Rosset, M. D., and John Hughes.

MISSIONARY COMMITTEE:

The Bishop *ex-officio*, Rev. I. Harding, Rev. T. M. Ambler and Messrs. J. W. Atkinson and H. G. Smallbones.

EDUCATIONAL COMMITTEE:

Rev. N. C. Hughes, D. D., and Messrs. John S. Long and William Calder.

CHURCH BUILDING COMMITTEE:

The Bishop ex officio, Revs. R. B. Drane, N. Harding, T. B. Haughton, and Messrs. F. A. Boyle and W. G. Lamb.

Col. W. L. De Rosset read the following in the name of St. James' Parish, Wilmington:

The delegation of S. James' Parish, Wilmington, under instructions from its Vestry, hereby tender to the Diocese of East Carolina the undivided one-fourth interest of said Parish in a certain piece of property located in the city of Wilmington, on Orange between Fifth and Sixth streets, occupied by the late Bishop Atkinson, and known as the "Episcopal residence," in fee simple, with the provision that should the Diocese at any time sell their interest, the proceeds thereof shall not be invested outside of the city of Wilmington.

On motion of F. D. Winston the offer was accepted under the conditions imposed, with thanks.

The Secretary read a communication from the Secretary of the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies in regard to proposed changes in Articles 2, 3 and 4 of the General Church. Concurred in.

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Dr. De Rosset moved to go into the election of Trustees of the University of the South, and that the following be elected *viva voce*: Rev. V. W. Shields, W. B. Shepard, and R. P. Buxton. Carried.

A motion of Col. De Rosset to go into election of Deputies to the General Convention was lost.

A communication was read from the Vestry of St. Stephen's Parish, Goldsboro, inviting the Convention to hold its next meeting in Goldsboro.

F. D. Winston moved that the selection of place of the next meeting of Convention be made the order of the day for 10 A. M. to-morrow. Carried.

Col. Atkinson read the following report for the Committee in Relation to the Ravenscroft Mission and Training School:

The Committee appointed by the Convention of the Diocese of North Carolina in May, 1883, to inquire into the title to the property and funds of the Ravenscroft Associate Mission and Training School, and the trusts upon which said property and funds are held, and to report the same to this Convention, and to report further whether any action ought to be taken in regard thereto by this Convention, beg leave respectfully to report:

I. That the real estate belonging to the Institution, consists of about thirteen acres of land in the town of Asheville, with the buildings and improvements thereon, now used for the purposes of the Training School and Associate Mission. This property was conveyed to the Trustees of the Diocese by the Rev. Jarvis Buxton, D. D., by two deeds of date respectively Sept. 12th, 1863, and July 29th, 1868, "for the use of the Protestant Episcopal Church in North Carolina, and in order to carry out the terms upon which the grantor had received the property. These terms are fully expressed in a deed and a bond, both dated July 11th, 1855, from the late William Patton, in which said Patton conveys part of the said tracts to the Rev. Jarvis Buxton for the sum of \$4,000, and covenants to convey the rest upon the payment of the further sum of \$800, which sum of \$800 was afterwards paid, and a deed taken for the rest of the property. The condition of said bond and deed are that the said Rev. Jarvis Buxton "will hold, use and appropriate the same (tract of 13 acres) as a site upon which to erect and keep up a Classical and Theological School," It is further provided that after the said property has been improved, and the Rev. Jarvis Buxton has reimbursed himself for his expenses incurred thereby, "he shall convey the same to the Trustees of the Episcopal Church for the Diocese of North Carolina, to be

held and appropriated by them and their successors for the purpose aforesaid." There is a further condition that if the property ceases to be used for the purpose designated it shall be appropriated to the reimbursement of those who contributed towards its purchase and improvement,

Besides the real estate there is-

II. An Endowment Fund amounting to \$7,086, raised chiefly by the personal exertions of Bishop Atkinson, and during his life held by him as Trustee. In his will, after naming the several investments constituting this Fund, he says: "I give and bequeath them all to the Trustees of the Diocese of North Carolina for the use and benefit of said Training Schoot."

There is also a fund called-

III. The Hix Fund, amounting at the time of Bishop Atkinson's death to the sum of \$5,758 in invested funds, and also some lands in Canada and in Detroit of not much present value. Of this property Bishop Atkinson says in his will: "I hold certain property under the will of the late Miss Hix of Detroit, Michigan, to be used in my Diocese for the benefit of the mountain region, and still more particularly for the counties of Watauga and Mitchell. * * * This property I hereby give and bequeath my right, title and interest in to the Trustees of the Dioceee of North Carolina, to be used for the purpose alone mentioned, and especially for the benefit of the Training School at Asheville until that shall be otherwise endowed."

It may be remarked in passing that Bishop Atkinson's power of disposing of the Hix Fund was more unlimited than the above extract from his will might seem to indicate. It has been left in the first instance for the support of a Mission in Mitchell county, which had been discontinued for some years at the time of Bishop Atkinson's death, and in her will Miss Hix provides "in case of said Church or Mission (in Mitchell county) being discontinued; then in trust for the benefit and use of any other Church or Mission which he or his successors may establish within the Diocese of North Carolina.

IV. The only other property of the Institution is a Theological Library of some 1,500 volumes, the greater part being a bequest from Bishop Atkinson. This Library is valued at \$3,000.

It appears from the above summary of facts in regard to the property of the Ravenscroft Associate Mission and Training School that the real estate in Asheville was secured in the first instance by the Rev. Jarvis Buxton, D. D.; that it was granted and conveyed to the Trustees of the Diocese to be used as a site for a Classical and Theological School, and that it cannot be diverted from that use without destroying the title of the Church to the property.

It further appears that both the Endowment proper and the Hix Fund

have been vested in the Trustees of the Diocese for the particular purpose of supporting the School *established upon that site*.

It would therefore seem clear that none of the above property and funds are in any proper sense of the word *Diocesan property*. The Diocese indeed holds the property, but holds it only for the purpose of effectuating the trusts created by the several instruments conveying the property, namely, to maintain the School at Asheville. No part of the property, either personal or real, can be taken by the Diocese for any other purpose. Therefore it seems to your Committee that the division of the Diocese necessitates no action with regard to the property and funds of the Ravenscroft Associate Mission and Training School. There is no such beneficial interest as can be subject to division and partition between the two Dioceses. The Diocese of North Carolina is charged with the execution of a trust, the benefits of which are intended to be enjoyed, not so much by the Diocese as by the particular section of country in which the school is situated.

All of which is respectfully submitted,

JOS. BLOUNT CHESHIRE, JR., R. H. SMITH, JOHN WILDER ATKINSON.

On motion referred to the Joint Committee on the Division of the Property of the Old Diocese.

Rev. N. C. Hughes, D. D., read the following report from the Committee on Finance:

The Finance Committee respectfully report that they have taken into consideration the subject committed to them by the Primary Convention held in Newbern in December last, viz: to report to this Convention some plan for increasing the Permanent Episcopal Fund. They are unanimously of the opinion that it is not advisable at this time to appoint a special agent for this purpose. If in addition to the income from that portion of the Permanent Episcopal Fund to which this Diocese is entitled the assessments on the Parishes for the Episcopal and Contingent Fund are fully paid, there ought to be a surplus, which may, as hitherto, be applied to the gradual increase of the Permanent Episcopal Fund. In addition to this we may hope that, by the Divine blessing, there will be a growth in the Church in this Diocese, and with this a constant increase of the sum derived from the assessments, and thus an ever accelerating increase of the Permanent Episcopal Fund. They would recommend, however, to those whom God has blessed with the means of so doing, a consideration of the propriety of special donations to this Fund while they are living, or of bequests in making their wills. They would also urge upon delinquent Parishes the duty of discharging the arrearages which are reported against them in the Treasur-

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er's Report for 1883 We find there something over \$1,600, which should be paid, and thus materially strengthen this Fund.

An examination of the Treasurer's Report shows that not more than about one-third of the Parishes and Mission Stations are in the habit of contributing anything at all either to the Relief, the Education or the Church Building Fund, although Canon XXI. requires every clergyman to take up at least one collection annually in aid of each of these Funds Your Committee are not willing to believe that two-thirds of our clergymen, or indeed any of them, wilfully violate and set at naught the law of the Church, but that it is in a very great measure owing to inadvertence, or in great part to the fact that no definite time being appointed for making these collections it is put off from period to period, and thus at last neglected altogether. It is believed that attention might be more generally directed to the making of these collections by requiring them to be taken at certain specified times, and we recommend that this be done.

Your committee are also deeply impressed with the imperative necessity of larger and more general contributions to the Missionary Fund of the Diocese. Despite the law requiring that collections be taken up in behalf of this Fund in every Parish twelve times or at least four times annually, from a considerable number of our Parishes there are no returns whatever except what are derived from collections taken up by the Bishop at his visitations. Indeed the entire sum derived from Parochial collections in the whole Diocese of North Carolina for the year 1883 amounts to only \$776 56, a sum less than that derived from collections by the Bishop at his visitations, which amounted to \$783 81. Nor need we expect our claims to Apostolic Authority to be recognized by the multitudes, without our fold, while we thus lag behind Apostolic practice. In about twelve of the thirty-two counties lying within the limits of East Carolina we have not a single Parish or Missionary Station. To reach and occupy this great Mission field we must greatly increase our contributions to the Diocesan Missionary Fund.

Your Committee therefore earnestly request of the clergy a strict compliance with Section 1st of Canon XXI. requiring monthly or at least quarterly collections in aid of this Fund.

But we are also persuaded that in order to foster a due sense of responsibility in regard to *all* matters of a financial character and to stimulate the Parishes to greater exertion, it should be the duty of all Rectors and of all Vestries to present in person to the Bishop at all his regular Visitations a full statement of the financial condition of their respective Parishes.

We therefore recommend the adoption of the following resolution:

Resolved, 1st, That Canon XXI., Sec 1, be amended by striking out all after the word "Diocese" in the fourth line; that sec. 2 be numbered sec. 3, and that the following words be substituted as sec. 2 of the amended Canon: "It shall also be the duty of every clergyman to make collections in the

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Parish or Parishes under his charge on every Thanksgiving Day in aid of the Relief Fund; on every Christmas Day in aid of the Church Building Fund, and on every Whitsunday in behalf of the Education Fund; and should it be impracticable to make any of these collections at the time specified he shall take up the collection on the next occasion of public service thereafter.

Resolved, 2d, That it shall be the duty of all Rectors and Vestries upon every occasion of a visitation by the Bishop to report to and confer with him in regard to all matters pertaining to the financial condition of the Parish.

N. COLLIN HUGHES. Chairman.

On motion the Convention adjourned till 10 o'clock A. M. Friday.

THIRD DAY.

Washington, N. C., May 16, 1884.

The Convention met at 10 A. M.

The minutes of yesterday's session were read and approved.

George E. Miller moved that the next Annual Convention be held in Kinston.

John S. Long moved to amend by substituting Goldsboro. Lost.

The original resolution was adopted.

Col. J. W. Atkinson moved that the time of meeting shall be the second Wednesday in May, 1885.

Col. W. L. De Rosset moved to amend by substituting fourth Wednesday in May.

Dr. A. J. De Rosset moved that the time of meeting be made the first Wednesday after the fourth Sunday after Easter. Lost

Jos. L. Butt moved to substitute the last Wednesday in October. Lost.

Rev. R. B. Drane moved as a substitute that it be made second Wednesday in November, 1885. Lost.

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Amendment, first Wednesday after the fourth Sunday after Easter. Lost.

Amendment, fourth Wednesday in May carried.

George E. Miller moved to reconsider the vote.

Col. De Rosset moved to table the motion. Lost.

Motion to reconsider prevailed.

George E. Miller moved that the time of holding the next Annual Convention be the second Wednesday in May. Carried.

Rev. J. C. Huske, D. D., presented and read the following report from the Committee on Canons:

The Committee on Canons, to whom was referred a resolution of the Committee on Finance proposing an alteration of Canon XXI. so as to require the clergy to make the collection for the Relief Fund, the Church Building Fund and the Educational Fund on certain fixed days of the year, or if not practicable on those days on the first occasion of public services thereafter, respectfully report: That, upon consideration of the subject, they have come to the conclusion that it is not expedient to change the said Canon at the present time. They recommend, therefore; to the Convention the adoption of the following resolution:

Resolved, That it is not expedient to amend Canon XXI. at the present time.

The resolution was adopted.

Rev. J. C. Huske, D. D., moved that the report of the Committee on Finance be referred to the Committee on Canons, to report at next Convention. Carried.

On motion of Wm. Calder the 2d resolution offered by the Committee on Finance (viz: That it shall be the duty of all Rectors and Vestries, upon every occasion of a regular visitation by the Bishop to report to and confer with him in all matters pertaining to the financial condition of the Parish) was adopted.

John G. Bragaw offered the following resolution:

WHEREAS, The officers of the Methodist congregation in this town having tendered the use of their church building to this Convention for any purpose that it might find convenient,

Resolved, That the thanks of this Convention are hereby cordially extended to them for their kind offer.

Carried.

Rev, Israel Harding asked that delegates from St. John's Parish, Pitt county, St. Mary's, Kinston, and Holy Innocents, Lenoir county, be excused from further attendance on the Convention. They were excused.

Col. J. W. Atkinson offered the following resolution:

Resolved, That a vote of thanks be extended to the Rector, Wardens, Vestry and congregation of St. Peter's Parish, and to the citizens of Washington generally, for the hospitality shown to this Convention.

Carried.

Dr. A. J. De Rosset moved that this Convention adjourn *sine* die at half-past 2 o'clock unless business be dispatched sooner. Carried.

Rev. R. B. Drane submitted the following report:

Your Committee appointed to revise and condense the "Historical Preface" to the Journal of this Convention, beg leave to report that want of time will prevent the proper execution of their duties during the session of this Convention, and recommend the adoption of the following resolutions:

Resolved, That the Historical Preface to the Journal of this Convention, reported by the Secretary, be referred to a committee consisting of W. L. De Rosset, Wm. Calder and Jas. G. Burr, with authority to carry out the instructions of this Convention, and report to the Secretary for publication.

Resolved, 2d, That this Committee be discharged from further consideration of the subject.

Adopted.

William Calder moved that Rule of Order No. XI. be amended so as to read, "A motion to adjourn may be debated on each side for five minutes" Referred to Committee on Canons.

Rev. J. C. Huske, D. D., offered the following resolution:

Resolved, That it be referred to the Committee on Canons to consider the propriety of adding to the Rules of Order a rule fixing the majority by which a suspension of the Rules of Order may take place, with instructions to report to the next Convention.

Dr. A. J. De Rosset moved that the minutes of the Primary

1884.] Printing Journals. Report of Committee on State of the Church.

Convention and of this Convention be printed and bound together and that 600 copies be printed.

William Calder offered as an amendment, that 600 copies of the Journal be printed and that 250 copies of the Sermon be printed in a separate volume. Lost.

F. A. Boyle moved to amend by inserting 750 copies. Carried.

Col. W. L. De Rosset moved to tabulate the reports from Parishes, adding the appended remarks.

Rev. V. W. Shields offered as an amendment that the Statistical Reports alone be tabulated and the remarks be left out. Carried.

Rev. R. B. Drane presented and read the report on the State of the Church as follows:

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON THE STATE OF THE CHURCH.

The Committee on the State of the Church have endeavored to present a full and accurate statement of the present condition of the Church in the Diocese of East Carolina, so far as figures may be trusted in so sacred an interest.

There are in our Diocese under the Bishop thirteen Priests and eight Deacons entitled to seats in Convention, and also canonically resident and actively engaged in spiritual work, one Priest and one Deacon, making a total of one Bishop, fourteen Priests and nine Deacons.

There are forty-one Parishes and eleven organized Mission Stations, and here it should be noted these eleven Missions do not cover all the points at which missionary services are rendered.

Reports have been received from twenty-three Clergymen and two Vestries, and verbally from one more Vestry representing the following Parishes: St. Thomas', Bath; St. Paul's, Beaufort; St. John's, Durham Creek; St. James', Beaufort county; Trinity, Beaufort county; Zion, Beaufort county; St. Paul's, Edenton; Christ Church, Elizabeth City; St. John's, Fayetteville, St. Joseph's, Fayetteville; St. Stephen's, Goldsboro; St. Paul's, Greenville; St. Martin's, Hamiiton; St. George's, Hyde county; St. Mary's, Kinston; Holy Innocents, Lenoir county; St. John's, Makeleyville; Christ Church, Newbern; St. Cyprian's, Newbern; St. John's Pitt county; Grace Church, Plymouth; St. Philip's, Smithville; St. Paul's, Vanceboro; St. Peter's,

Number of Families

Washington; St. David's, Washington county; St. Luke's, Washington county; Church of the Advent, Williamston; St. James', Wilmington; St. John's, Wilmington; St. Mark's, Wilmington; St. Paul's, Wilmington; St. Thomas', Windsor; the following organized Missions: Aurora, Beaufort county; St. Andrew's, Columbia; St. John, the Evangelist, Edenton; Jamesville; St. Barnabas, Snow Hill; and the following Mission Stations: St. Michael's, Pitt county; St. Thomas', Craven county; Haw Branch, Beaufort county; Juniper Bay, Hyde county; Swan Quarter, Hyde county; Rockahock, Chowan county; from which the following particulars have been gathered:

	of Families
"	Individuals 5,610
de	Infant Baptisms
"	" " by the Bishop 9
"	Adult Baptisms
	Total Baptisms 312
"	Confirmations 42
66	Communicants
"	Marriages
46	Burials
"	Public Services 2,909
"	Ordination to Diaconate
"	Holy Communions 376
.6	Sunday Schools
"	Teachers
"	Scholars
"	Parish Schools
"	Parish Teachers 8
"	Parish Scholars
"	Church Home
Con	tributions, Parochial
"	Diocesan 3,289 39
"	Without the Diocese 434 03
"	Total 30,464 45
Number	of Churches
"	Chapels
44	Sittings in Churches 8,816
"	Sittings in Chapels 700
"	Rectories
Value of	Church Property 201,450 00
Indebted	lness on Church Property

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and inquiries; some additional particulars have been collected for Christ Church, Rockfish; St. Barnabas, Murfreesboro; St. John's, Winton; South Creek Mission; St. Luke's, Washington county; Holy Trinity, Hertford; St. Mary's, Gatesville; St. Peter's, Gates county; St. James', Beaufort county. Holy Innocents, Avoca; St. Mark's, Roxabel; Grace Church, Bertie county; St. Paul's, Clinton; St. John, Evangelist, South Mills, and St. John's, New Begun Creek, giving totals additional

Families
Individuals
Communicants
Churches
Value of Church Property \$16,650 00
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But we remember that one of the first Old Testament Lessons read at this Convention was that of David's sin in numbering the people of Israel. Let us, therefore, take these figures not in David's earthly interest; let them humble us that our zeal for Christ and the Church has not affected many times more; let them call us to a more unreserved self-consecration

The number of those reported as under the influence of our Church constitutes but about one in fifty of the entire population.

We think it ground for encouragement that this, the First Annual C on vention is so well attended by both the clergy and the laity—both members and visitors of the Convention—all brought hither by a loyal interest in the holy Church, and showing, we trust, that the conception of the *Diocese* in the Catholic Church, as it was so clearly presented in our Bishop's Address, had already possessed our minds.

Such a gathering as this shows our sense of Brotherhood, and shows a sense of larger responsibility than Parochial. Only let our interest in the Diocese equal our personal feelings towards our Right Reverend Father, and the work of the Church cannot languish anywhere in the land. We must hold up his hands, not only when he comes within the borders of our Parishes, but go out with him into the byways and missions of the Diocese, and, through the General Convention, into all the world.

Two powerful agencies for good are the Parish School and the Church Home and Hospital, of which there are examples in this Diocese. The Rev. Mr. Hughes has for many years conducted a Church school at Choc-

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owinity, Beaufort county, about three miles from Washington. "Of late God has greatly blessed this Institution, encouraging the hope that it may at length become the instrument of widely extended usefulness." Who that knows of the work and the workman will not pray that Father Hughes may still be cheered more and more?

S. James' Home, Wilmington, "remains in very successful operation, having had during the past year a larger attendance than ever before." It is there that Sisterhood Life and Work are illustrated for the women of this Diocese. The influence of the Home, in this aspect of it, is salutary and valuable.

This Convention recorded its sense of the importance of the *Church Messenger*. It represents for us the Christian press, a power for good, to neglect which would be suicidal in us. It is a Missionary with a thousand mouths: it can be everywhere in the Diocese at the same time.

Taking a general survey of the field it does seem to your Committee that the Church is well organized and humbly at work.

ROB'T B. DRANE, LUTHER EBORN, N. C. HUGHES, Jr., FRANCIS D. WINSTON, J. G. BRAGAW.

Washington, N. C., May 16, 1884.

William Calder offered the following resolution:

Resolved, That the Rectors and Ministers in charge of congregations in this Diocese be requested to read to their respective charges at the earliest practicable time that part of the Address made to this Convention by our Rt. Rev. Father in God which follows the statement of the official acts performed since his consecration.

Carried.

The Bishop read a report from the Dean of the Convocation of Newbern.

The Rev. N. C. Hughes, D. D., Dean of the Convocation of Edenton made a verbal report.

The Rev. Dr. Hughes read the following report from the Committee on Finance:

The Finance Committee have considered the proposed change of Canon XIX. sec. 2d, withdrawing from clerical members of this Convention the

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privilege of having their necessary expenses in attending upon the meetings of this Convention paid out of the funds of the Diocese. In the opinion of the Committee there is no such stringency in the condition of these funds as to counterbalance the great evil which would probably arise from the non-attendance of clergy resulting from the adoption of the proposed change.

N. COLLIN HUGHES, Chairman.

The Secretary read the minutes, which were amend and approved.

The Gloria in Excelsis was sung, prayers were offered by the Bishop, who pronounced the Benediction, and the Convention adjourned sine die.

NATHANIEL HARDING, Secretary.

N. C. Hughes, Assistant Secretary.



APPENDIX A-I.

EPISCOPAL ADDRESS.



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Episcopal Acts,

Address of the Bishop.

Dear Brethren of the Clergy and Laity:

The Canon Law of the Church (I. 17 ii) makes it the Bishop's duty to deliver to the Annual Convention of his Diocese an address relative to the affairs of the Diocese; the churches visited by him since the previous Convention; the persons confirmed; candidates for orders received; ordinations; changes in the status of the clergy, whether of place or by discipline, and other matters tending to throw light upon the condition of the Diocese, "which address shall be inserted on the Journals."

For the condition of the Diocese previous to my consecration, and for any changes occurring within it up to that time I have not the data for a report.

Since my consecration on Thursday in Easter week, April 17, I have officiated as follows:

April 20, 1st Sunday after Easter, after Morning Prayer, at S. James', Wilmington, I ordained Robert Strange to the Diaconate.

At Evening Prayer, in the same church, I baptized 2 children and confirmed 9 persons.

April 24, Thursday, I attended a meeting of the House of Bishops called (in accordance with the provisions of the Digest, I. 15: xvii) for the selection of Missionary Bishops for our Missions in China and at Cape Palmas, which resulted in the election of Rev. Wm. J. Boone to the Chinese Bishopric and Rev. Samuel D. Ferguson to that of Cape Palmas.

April 27, 2d Sunday after Easter, I officiated at Morning Prayer, preached and administered the Communion in S. John's Church, Fayetteville.

The same day, in the afternoon, in the colored parish of S. Joseph, in Fayetteville, I confirmed 5 persons. This congregation is worshipping in their new church, a large and sightly edifice of wood, nearly completed and nearly but not quite paid for, there being still due for the cost of its erection about \$250. The church was filled with an attentive, orderly and devout congregation, who rendered the service heartily and correctly. The field seems to me very promising, and by its condition does credit to the energy of the minister in charge, Rev. Henry S. McDuffey, who, I was told, wrought with his own hands in building the church. I earnestly commend this work to the regard and offerings of the members of the Diocese, reminding them that the \$250, which may seem to many a small matter, is a serious one to the members of S. Joseph's.

After the service at St. Joseph's I confirmed in private a candidate belonging to S. John's Parish.

The same day, at night, I officiated in S. John's Parish Church and confirmed 15 persons.

April 28, Monday, after Evening Prayer, at Christ Church Rockfish, I confirmed 1 person.

May I, Thursday, Festival of S. Philip and S. James, I officiated at Morning and Evening Prayer in S. James' Church, Wilmington.

May 4, 3d Sunday after Easter, I officiated at S. James' Church, Wilmington, and administered the Communion.

At Evening Prayer, in the same church, I baptized a child and catechized the children of the Parish.

The same day, at night, at S. Paul's Church, Wilmington, I confirmed 7 persons.

May 6, Tuesday, in S. James' Parish, Wilmington, I confirmed in private one person.

May 9, Friday, I officiated at a funeral in the same Parish.

May 11, 4th Sunday after Easter, at an early celebration in S. Mark's Parish, Wilmington, I administered the Communion.

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The same day, I conducted Morning Prayer and preached at S. James' Church.

The same day, at Evening Prayer in the same church, I baptized 5 children and confirmed I person.

The same day I baptized a sick infant in private and by private form.

The same day, at night, I officiated and preached in S. John's Church, Wilmington.

So far, since my consecration, I have preached 13 times, ordained I deacon, baptized 9 children, confirmed 40 persons and administered the Communion 5 times.

I have received by letter from the Bishop of North Carolina one candidate for Deacon's Orders, Robert Strange.

After admitting him to the Diaconate I transferred him, at his own request, to the Bishop of Virginia.

It may not be useless or without interest as a part of the Diocesan history to put on record some facts with respect to the service at the consecration of its fifth Bishop:

The consecrating Bishop, acting under the appointment of the Presiding Bishop of the Church in the United States, was the venerable Bishop Wm. Mercer Green, D. D. LL. D., of Mississippi, once a presbyter in the old Diocese of North Carolina and in his early life a member of the Parish of S. James', Wilmington.

The appointed Presenters were from our neighbor Dioceses of Virginia and South Carolina, the Rt. Rev. Wm. B. W. Howe, D. D., Bishop of South Carolina, and the Rt. Rev. Alfred M. Randolph, D. D., Assistant Bishop of Virginia. The Bishop of North Carolina, the Rt. Rev. Theodore B. Lyman, D. D., was the appointed Preacher.

There were present and assisting in the service and in the laying on of hands the Rt. Rev. Henry A. Neely, D. D., of Maine, and the Rt. Rev. Geo. F. Seymour, D. D. LLD., of Springfield, Illinois. It may be well to note, for its bearing upon an objection which has been made to the validity of some early English consecrations—an objection, however apparently, without any seri-

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ous weight—that all the Bishops present and assisting united, not only in the laying on of hands, but also in the words of consecration. The Sermon by the Bishop of North Carolina made such an impression upon those present that it was requested for publication. To this the Bishop kindly consented. It has been published at the expense of the Parish of S. James, and copies are in the hands of the Treasurer for distribution.

Just here it may be well for me to add that I have resigned my charge of the Parish of S. James, in order that I may be able to devote myself more entirely to the work of my office.

Not having been able as yet to make any general visitation of the Diocese, I am not prepared to report as to its condition.

It is my purpose, upon the adjournment of the Diocesan Convention, to begin a general visitation, to include as much of the Diocese as I can reach before the latter part of July, when I hope to be able to attend the meeting of the Trustees of the University of the South, as one of the Bishops connected with that Institution.

Your Bishop, in entering upon his work, would invoke from the members of his Diocese their indulgence, reminding them that if they wish for him or for themselves, in connection with his superintendence, the maximum of success they must not needlessly criticize or coldly judge him, but rather seek to uphold him and to stay his hands. He does not ask immunity from blame for wilfully or negligently imperfect work. But he does ask their sympathy, and that their judgment of him may be kind and filial. So will they best sustain him in his work for them and enable him to serve them. But do not expect of him too much. That you may be sometimes disappointed in your expectations is not only extremely probable but almost certain, even with the best and most unwavering support on your part. if you allow yourselves to separate yourselves from your Bishop in the work of the Diocese, and permit yourselves to give any entrance to the idea that your true interests and his may be in conflict, such disappointments will be still more inevitable and far more frequent and disastrous.

First of all, then, let us endeavour to work together as having in all things at last, in the light of eternity and of a true loyalty to our common Master, the same great ends—as having our *real* interest, upon the same side of each question. Differences of opinion may and will occur, and when they do, you should not expect your Bishop to ignore his convictions any more than should he expect you to overlook your own. But differences of judgment maintained in a Christian spirit, with humility and with an eye true to the glory of God and the good of the Church of God need not array those who hold them in camps of hostile interests. The members of a council of war may differ as to the best movements of the army, yet the interests of all be the same. Especially let us beware of impeaching each other's motives.

If I were to select a text for what I wish to say just here and now it would be "Sirs, ye are brethren." Let me *adapt* it and say, Sirs, we are brethren; we all belong to one family; we have the same Father in Heaven, the same churchly kingdom upon earth—the same great work to do—the same conditions of true and lasting success and salvation. But while this is true we may, in our infirmity, wander off into selfish paths, and so into selfish divergencies. This were both inexcusable and suicidal, for it would be a forgetting of our real interests in the pursuit of seeming ones. Selfishness never does any man any real good. Our true personal advantage, in the long run, always lies in the path of duty. By serving God and Christ and each other, we at the last, render the most efficient and desirable service to ourselves.

And so there can be no real interest of one parish at the expense of another, or of a parish at the expense of the Diocese, or of the Diocese at the expense of its parishes. As in the human system, what nourishes the body nourishes the members, and what wounds one member affects not only the body itself but all the other members. It is not only that the parish in which each man lives is his parish, but every other parish in the Diocese is, in a sense, his parish also, for it is a part of the body of which he is a part;

and so the Diocese is your Diocese, your own ecclesiastical family.

I hold the Diocese to be our ecclesiastial unit. Under other religious forms than ours the unit is different. The unit of the Congregationalist is the congregation. It is very nearly the same, practically, with the Presbyterian of to-day. I wish it were not so much so in the *feelings* of the Episcopalians of to-day. But the very idea upon which the Church, as we hold it, is framed, is that of Episcopacy, and therefore of the Diocese as the true ecclesiastical unit.

There is no fully organized Church life without the Diocese. The Diocese might exist and be perfect without the parishes or without parochial organizations. This is sometimes actually, for a while, the case with our Missionary Dioceses. But the parish by itself is an imperfect fragment. It cannot perpetuate orders or make laws.

The Diocese does both. Even in our settled Dioceses the parochial organization might be dropped with no fatal, perhaps with no serious, results. The whole field might be resolved into open ground, served, and served efficiently, from the centre.

Do not mistake me as arguing for or as desiring the abolition of parochial organization. I am convinced that, constituted as men are, and situated as we are, with our past traditions, the Diocese needs these parochial pillars for her support. We would inevitably lose ground, if even for a time we attempted the experiment of discarding them. I am satisfied that frequently a weak mission station may be developed into a strong parish by its very organization, putting definite responsibilities upon individuals.

But I think that we in this Church of ours have allowed the parish too much to overshadow the Diocese; and do often unwisely sacrifice the interests of the latter to those of the former.

It is against this error that I speak. The Diocese is our real family. The parishes are parts of that family, organized separately with a view to the greater efficiency of the whole, and when churchmen forget this, and regard their duties as primarily to their

parishes and only secondarily to their Diocese, they are unwittingly falling into the error—if it be one, and by our very name we declare that we think it an error—of the Congregationalist. Not altogether, it is true; for after all and over all, we demand the Episcopate. But the life of the Diocese and of the Episcopate is largely absorbed and dried up by this exaggeration of the parochial idea.

And so in part it is, that it has come to pass, that our Bishops have become so much mere agents for the performance of certain functions. Their relation to their Dioceses, as persons invested with certain powers which must be exercised in rotation, has come too much to satisfy the cravings of the Church; and their relation to their Dioceses, as Fathers in God, has been correspondingly vacated or enfeebled.

It is quite impossible to develop great parochial strength without any intimate relation of the parish to the Diocese. But it will be done at the expense of our Episcopacy

When S. Ignatius would typify, or rather express in concrete, the Unity of the Church, he says to the Smyrnæans (viii.) "Let no man do anything of what belongs to the Church separately from the Bishop." I understand this and like phrases which might be quoted from S. Ignatius and others, as referring, not to the *man* who is Bishop, but to the *Office*, as the bond of Unity in the Church. The Apostolic, and the more immediately Post-Apostolic Church seemed to give but little recognition to what we now call parishes. Its idea of the Church in any place was that of a Diocese.

The Dioceses at first fostered the parishes or separate congregations instead of being fostered by them. The Vestries of modern days were unknown to the Primitive Church. The Seniores Ecclesiae, which in time were introduced, were perhaps the germ of the modern institution. But they were themselves a development. That, however, there were under each Bishop congregations worshipping separately need not be doubted. We know the names of some of them. Bingham has preserved the

names of different congregations in Carthage and Alexandria, under the charge, in each instance, of the one Bishop. But often, the clergy ministered in rotation and all were bound together at last, and found their organic unity in their relations to the one representative body, the Diocese.

Now, brethren, what I seek in all that I have said is not the magnifying of my own office, but the knitting of this, our young Diocese, into Strength and Beauty. Depend upon it, that just in proportion as the members of the Church in East Carolina allow themselves to set up their parochial interests against those of the Diocese or as separate from those of the Diocese, they will undermine and destroy that Strength and Beauty and *pro tanto* make the Diocese practically Presbyterian or Congregational. On the other hand, in proportion as we recognize the Diocese as their true Mother and sustain her in that spirit they will strengthen and adorn her as a true and consistent portion of a genuine Episcopal Church.

Sirs, we are brethren. Let us work together, not apart. Let us pull together and not apart. We believe that we have the strength to be self-supporting. Upon that plea we sought division. We have obtained what we sought.

But the new Diocese will not take care of itself. Its sons must take care of it. It is not enough that we have so many parishes, so many stations, so many commuicants, so much income. These things will not take care of themselves. They are not perpetual endowments. We must take care of them. We must see to it that the assessments are honestly paid, and that all our contributions are in honest proportion to our means. We must bear with each other and excuse rather than criticise each other; we must act and react upon each other, exhorting one another, as the Apostle expresses it. We must work, and work together. We must give, and give together. So working and so giving, so living and working in brotherly love and sympathy we may reasonably expect to justify to the Church at large our action in organizing this, our new family of East Carolina.

ALFRED A. WATSON.

APPENDIX A--II.

SERMON

Preached Before the Convention,

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REV. N. COLLIN HUGHES, D. D.



Sermon Before the Convention.

By Rev. N. COLLIN HUCHES, D. D.

Zech. iv: 6. "Not by might, nor by power, but by My Spirit, saith the Lord of Hosts."

Zechariah entered upon his mission as prophet about the year 520 B. C. He was cotemporary with the prophet Haggai, who preceded him in his entrance upon the prophetic office only by about two months. In the year 536 B. C. Cyrus the Great, King of Persia, made a decree granting permission to the captive nation of the Jews to return from Babylon and elsewhere to their native land, and rebuild the temple of God in Jerusalem. About 50,000 of them, taking advantage of this decree went back to Palestine, and soon after laid the foundation of the temple. Through the envy of the Samaritans, however, they were greatly hindered in their undertaking. Influences were brought to bear upon the Kings of Persia, which crippled the Jews in the work until finally, in the brief reign of Artaxerxes Smerdis, a stop was put to it altogether. Upon the death of this Artaxerxes, Darius, called in profane history Cambyses, ascended the throne. And in the second year of his reign, about sixteen years after the decree of Cyrus the Great, God raised up the prophets Zechariah and Haggai, and sent them to the people to stir them up, and to command them to go immediately forward and build the temple. But the condition of the Jews was, humanly speaking, quite an embarrassing one. They had still the same bitter enemies in the Samaritans as hitherto, and although Smerdis was dead yet Darius had given no express sanction to the work. Besides, they were few in numbers, poor as they were, to enter upon so great and costly an undertaking as the completion of the temple. And to add to their trouble and inability to proceed with the work. God had punished them by an unfavorable harvest. Despite all these discouragements, however, the command of God by His prophets was to go forward at once, and with energy, assuring them that they should certainly succeed, and be highly rewarded. In the words selected for my text the prophets direct them to the Omnipotent Source of help Who could and would, despite all this weakness, by their agency, cause the temple to rise in beauty, in grandeur and in completeness before their eyes. For it would be accomplished, "not by might, nor by power, but by My Spirit, saith the Lord of hosts." The Jews trusted God, and, under the guidance of Zerubbabel, their ruler, and Joshua, their high priest, went forward to the work. And God was faithful to His promise. He Who, by His Providence, had suffered obstacles to their undertaking to be thrown in their way by the court and King of Persia, now by that same Providence caused the sympathies of the King Darius to be warmly enlisted in their behalf. For not only was ful! permission accorded to proceed with their work, and the penalty of death imposed upon all who presumed to hinder them, but large donations were granted from the tribute, due the King from the neighboring provinces, besides the gift of an abundance of animals, flour, oil, etc., for sacrifices. So that in about four years from the time the prophets Zechariah and Haggai began to prophesy the temple was finished.

I. Beloved brethren of the Clergy and Laity in Convention assembled, there are some points of likeness between our condition to-day and that of the Jews at that time, when the words of my text were addressed to them. We are met here at present to enter anew upon the great work of building in the Diocese of East Carolina the spiritual temple, which is the Church of God. And we, too, are few in number. There are only in this Diocese about a quarter of a hundred clergymen, and not quite three thousand communicants, and I suppose the number of baptized persons, in addition, does not exceed five thousand souls. So that, in the whole, we number less than ten thousand persons in a population of half a million. That is to say, we are not more

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than one in fifty of the entire people. Besides, this is a *rural* Diocese. There are no *great* centres of wealth anywhere in the State of North Carolina. There is not, therefore, *much* of worldly riches among us. We may, with propriety, be called, at least in so far as *this* world's goods are concerned, a poor Diocese. These considerations are regarded by many as grounds of great discouragement, amounting to reasons why we should not have been permitted to *exist* as a separate Diocese.

II. But for one I do not so regard them, because the building up of this Diocese is to be accomplished, "Not by might, nor by power, but by My Spirit, saith the Lord of hosts." Ist. For not only is it a fact that these words assert a great general truth; not only is it a fact that the Jewish temple was a type of the Christian Church, and therefore we may, with propriety, take the words spoken in reference to the one, and apply them to the other, but it is also *clear* that Zechariah, in his prophecies relative to the builders and to the building of the temple, did intend to refer to the Church of Christ as zvell as to the temple, and therefore we may, with good reason, regard the words of my text as addressed by God to all members of His Church in all ages, informing them that success in their work of edifying and extending His Church is to depend in an altogether secondary and subordinate degree upon mere external advantages: but that one great and mighty Agent in carrying it forward will ever be His Own Holy Spirit.

2d. And the whole history of the Church of God, in all times and in all places, is a practical demonstration of this great truth. Daniel foretold the establishment of the Church as "A little stone cut out of a mountain without hands." Without hands! That is to say, it was to be upbuilded, not in a great degree either by the expenditure of worldly wealth, or by the learning of the worldly wise, and, above all, not by the agency of physical force, but by the secret, invisible yet all powerful agency of God's Own Spirit. And what are the facts in regard to it? A. Did Jesus, the Founder of the Church—Himself the

chief Corner-stone of the Spiritual temple-did he come with worldly riches? Who was so poor that He had not where to lay His head? Did He come with an array of human knowledge, in reference to Whom the Jews asked the question, "How knoweth this Man letters, having never learned?" Did He rely upon the cogency of royal power, Who, when men would have taken Him by force to make Him a King, fled away and hid Himself out of their sight? Did He depend upon the efficacy of military might, Who said to Peter "Put up thy sword into the sheath, for all they that take the sword shall perish with the sword?" Did He depend upon the help of the powerful or upon the plaudits of the multitude, Who suffered Himself at the bidding of the high and of the lowly, of the strong and of the weak, to be lifted up and to be put to death upon the cross? No, No. He deliberately discarded all the recognized elements of worldly strength. And yet He conquered. He triumphed gloriously, not by might, nor by power, but by the eternal Spirit. He laid broad and strong the foundation of a Church which now commands the allegiance of nations; and of which it is written that the gates of Hell shall never prevail against it.

B. And how was it with the agencies which provided to carry on the great work of building after He left the world? His Own Son went down in blood His enemies were triumphant, and they were the great, the learned, the mighty of the earth. By what means did He undertake to off-set this great display of worldly strength? He left twelve men. But they were not men of high world position. They were fishermen, a tax-gatherer, and the like. They had no riches, no learning, no civil office, even of the humblest kind. They were a poor match, one would suppose, for those with whom they had to contend. But, though destitute of worldly advantages, they had that which was of immeasurably greater consequence. Upon the day of Pentecost, ten days after the Ascension of their Lord, the Holy Ghost came down upon them, and in fiery tongues sat upon the head of each

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of them. They were clothed with the might of God's Own Spirit, and, in that strength, went forth to the conflict. And what was the issue of it? Were they or were they not a match for their enemies? Did they lift up the banner of the cross, and rally the people round it? or did they let it fall, and suffer its sacred folds to be draggled in the mire? The whole world knows the result, and at this day illustrates it. They were imprisoned, they were beaten, they were despised and regarded as the filth of the world and the offscouring of all things; they all came, (with one single exception) to a bloody death; but when the blood of the last one of them was poured out, the twelve Apostles and 120 Disciples who worshipped with them in an upper room at

Jerusalem had grown to be a vast multitude, perhaps to millions, scattered over the whole world; a glorious illustration of the truth that God's Church is established, "Not by might, nor by

power, but by My Spirit, saith the Lord of Hosts."

C. But these instances are only eminent examples of what the *entire* history of the Church exemplifies. For I might point you to the conflicts of the early Church and show that, although in the beginning "Not many wise men after the flesh, not many mighty, not many noble, were (are) called," although they who did confess Christ were held up to the scorn and derision of the world, although both the enmity of the Jews and the power of the Roman Empire were exercised to persecute and to destroy them, yet through the agency of the Holy Spirit of Christ their very sufferings, while they heightened their piety and strengthened their faith, did also contribute to advance Christ, insomuch that the blood of the martyrs was the seed which caused it to multiply and to grow. And about two hundred and eighty years after the death of Christ, immediately after the most violent persecution it had ever experienced, a persecution which was undertaken with the deliberate purpose of its utter extinction, without raising a finger in self-defence, much less in opposition to civil authority, but by the power of the Spirit of God in the ruling of His Providence, and in the spiritual graces with which He

adorned the Christians of that day, the little handful of Apostles, time had prevailed over that Roman Empire which then held sway over the earth, and in the reign of Constantine it became the recognized religion of the world.

D. And so it has been ever since. The spiritual conquest of England, of Ireland, of Germany and of other kingdoms which this day acknowledge authority of Jesus, has ever been by the labors and sufferings of self-denying and earnest Missionaries whom the Spirit of God has raised up qualified for their work. And so it is in our own day. For not long since a Heber went forth in the might of the Spirit to the planting of the Church in India. And but recently we have known a Selwyn and a Patterson, in the power of the same spirit, instrumental in the conversion of the New Zealanders, and of other inhabitants of the islands of the South Seas. And within the borders of our own land, through the same power of the Spirit, we have seen a Kemper inaugurating Mission work in our Western Territories; we have seen a Breck and his two companions without any material support, except what was sent them through the daily mails, doing mission work and establishing a school of the prophets in sparsely settled Wisconsin, hereby inaugurating a work which has become a power in the land, and which, more than everything else, as I believe, has wonderfully contributed to that great spiritual revival which of late years has been experienced throughout the entire borders of the Church, and which has given such a mighty impetus to that great mission work of the Church, which, at this moment, is going on over the vast territory west of the Mississippi river, even to the Pacific Ocean. All these successes were wrought, "Not by might, nor by power, but by My Spirit, saith the Lord of Hosts."

III. I say, therefore, to-day that we have no reason to be discouraged, either by the comparative smallness of our numbers or by the fact that we have no great centres of wealth in our Diocese.

1st. For does not the history of the Church show that others

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have succeeded with far *less* of worldly advantages than we possess? Does not God ever severely *condemn* the disposition which Hispeople have so often manifested to rely upon *human* agencies, rather than upon the *Divine* arm? As in the days of Isaiah, when He solemnly *warned* those who "Covered with a covering but not of His Spirit: Who strengthened themselves in the strength of Pharaoh, and trusted in the shadow of Egypt." It is God's arm *alone* that can bring salvation, and His *power* alone that can cause His vine, the Church, to take root and fill the land, so that the hills shall be covered with the shadow of it, and the boughs thereof shall be like the goodly cedar trees.

2d. And what is to prevent our SECURING that outpouring of the spirit from on High which is needful to achieve this result? "The Lord's Hand is not shortened that It cannot save; neither His Ear heavy that It cannot hear."

A. Believing, earnest, constant, persistent and united *prayer* will most assuredly accomplish the desired end.

B. But we must not forget that we ourselves are the agents by whom the Holy Spirit acts. God has wrought all the great victories which the Church has ever gained; but He has ever wrought them through the instrumentality of the Church herself. It is, as the prophet teaches us, "When the Lord shall arise upon His Church and His glory shall be seen upon her, that the Gentiles shall come to her light, and kings to the brightness of her rising." It is the fruit of the tree that draws men to it.

The effect of the outpouring of the Holy Spirit upon any person is to make him wiser, truer, *holier* than others: to beget in him every grace and virtue: to cause him to discharge with conspicuous fidelity all the duties of life; to make him true and just in all his dealings; to make him liberal in giving, and diligent in doing, and to fill him with the spirit of self-sacrifice, and with a holy zeal and energy in setting forward the blessed kingdom of our Heavenly Master.

In proportion as the Holy Spirit of God shall be poured out

upon us as a *Church*, in *that* proportion will the spirit of order, of harmony, and of *union* prevail among us. There will be a quickening of the pulse of spiritual life in every Parish manifested in the spirit of Christian brotherhood prevailing among its members, in a lively and increasing interest in the public services of the Church, in its Sunday schools, in its Bible classes, in its music, in its ministrations to the sick and to the needy, and in earnest and united efforts to seek after, to reform and to gather into the fold the erring.

That same Spirit will necessarily infuse new life into all *Diocesan* work. It will lead to a far greater zeal and energy than we have hitherto manifested in the extending of our *Missionary* operations. It will cause a new era in the all important work of Christian education. It will lead to new enterprizes in the wide field of Christian charities; to more substantial provision for the relief of disabled clergymen, and for the widows and orphans of deceased clergymen, to the promotion of sisterhoods, and to the founding of hospitals, of orphan homes, of asylums of all kinds for the sick, the needy and the penitent.

Brethren, we are *not* too few in number; we are not too *poor* in this world's goods to accomplish a great and glorious work in East Carolina. *External* advantages are *not* our *great need*. *Spiritual* power is what we need. It is the fruits of the Holy Spirit of God manifested in our hearts and lives as individuals, guiding and animating our counsels as a Church, infusing renewed zeal and energy into all the *work* of the Church, and causing her light so to shine before men that they may see her good works and glorify our Father which is in Heaven. It is *this* that will make the Church strong in the *Lord*, and in the power of *His* might. It is this that will impart to her spiritual health. will cause her to grow, will cause her to enlarge the place of her tent, to stretch forth the curtains of her habitations, and to make her break forth on the right hand and on the left.

If there is any thing that will retard our growth it will be our spiritual and not our material poverty. We ought not to be the

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comparatively small and feeble body that we are in this land. It will be our own *fault* if we continue to be so. For there ought to be among us not only more order, more harmony, and more unity than can be found elsewhere; but also more self-sarifice, more fervent zeal, and more abundant labors than any other Christian body in this land.

IV. And when we shall become thus enlivened by the quickening energies of God's Holy Spirit, men will flock into this Church "As doves to their windows." For it is our deficiences in these respects that prevent the recognition of her peculiar claims. Those Claims are just and right. They are founded upon the solid rocks of God's eternal truth. This Church has peculair advantages which ought to make her the Church of thts country.

1st. The purity and the Evangelical character of her doctrines are generally acknowledged.

2nd. And it is no inconsiderable matter, but one of *vital* concern that she is a *historic* Church. She is *no sect*. She is no offspring of *yesterday*. Founded by the Apostle Paul, as there is good reason to believe, or else in the following century by those who were of the fellowship of the Apostles, as is beyond all doubt, she has come down to us through various vicissitudes, a true branch of that Church, in reference to which our Lord has promised that "The gates of hell shall not prevail against it."

3d. Neither is it a small matter that she has retained the Divinely constituted Apostolic Ministry. "Lo, I am with you alway," said Jesus to His Apostles, even unto the end of the world. This promise could not apply to them personally, for they died in a few years thereafter. It refers, therefore, to their office, and is an assurance that that office was to continue always in the Church, even to the world's end, and that it was to be a guaranty of God's aid and blessing. In the possession of this Ministry she rightly asserts the Divine authority for her ministrations, and also possesses that organization which God Himself has devised as best calculated to promote the interests of His heavenly kingdom.

4th. And, moreover, to-day we meet together in a great measure *relieved* of an obstacle which has hitherto greatly *hindered* the efficient discharge of the duties of the Episcopal office. The seven angels of the book of Revelations were bishops of Dioceses not of the extent of North Carolina, but of territories, each one of them not exceeding in magnitude two of our counties; and so it was throughout the whole Church for ages afterwards. We are approximating, therefore, to that condition in which our bishop can be what the name of his office signifies, viz: an *overseer* of his Diocese.

5th And withal, brethren, may I not add to this list of our peculiar advantages this circumstance: that we meet together to-day a completely organized body under a chief Pastor unanimously chosen by his brethren from among their own number as the person whom, of all men with whom they were acquainted, they regarded as best fitted by ability, by worth and by other considerations to discharge the responsibility, the weight and the sacred duties of the Apostolic office. Possessed of such great advadtages if we do but heartily and practically recognize the great truth contained in my text that it is "Not by might, nor by power, but by the Holy Spirit of God" that this Church is to enter upon a career of prosperity, we may well hope and believe that the wall of misunderstanding and prejudice which has hitherto hemmed her in will be broken down and that she will become what she ought to be, a centre of unity in this day of manifold and increasing divisions among those upon whom is called the name of Christ.

V. And now to conclude. While a very grave responsibility rests upon every member of the Church in this Diocese of East Carolina, a still greater responsibility rests upon you, beloved brethren of the Clergy and of the Lay delegates to this Convention. You are the representative men of the Church of this Diocese. You are pre-eminently the builders of this portion of the spiritual temple of the most High God. I have endeavored to impress upon you that which I myself most firmly believe, viz:

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that we have no ground of discouragement owing to any real or fancied lack of external advantages. I have endeavored to convince you of that which I am so thoroughly satisfied is the *truth*; that there is nothing to prevent the Church of East Carolina from entering upon a career of spiritual prosperity, but a failure upon our part to lay hold by faith, by prayer and by the other means of grace upon the great Source of all Spiritual power. or else by neglecting to use all proper exertions to become the *agents* and the *instruments* of His working. The use of these means, however, is open to us all. We may, if we will, secure God's Providential ever-ruling of events to promote the welfare of Zion. We may, if we will, secure for *ourselves* the gifts and graces of the spirit of God, for if "Ye, being evil, know not how to give good gifts unto your children, how much *more* will your Heavenly Father give His Holy Spirit to them that ask Mim?"

And each *one* of us can *do much* to set forward the building of the spiritual temple. There is *no telling* the power of *one* man, or indeed of one *woman* whom the spirit of God has stirred up fully to consecrate heart and life to His service. God has mercy upon *thousands* in them that love Him and keep His Commandments. The fire of God's Spirit burning on the altar of *one* heart will light the sacred flame in the hearts of *many others* But if one person can accomplish much, what might not the nearly *three thousand* Communicants of this Diocese do, if all were alive to their duties and their opportunities?

Let each one of us, therefore, resolve that by God's grace, and in so far as in us lies we will accomplish no inconsiderable part. Our Master requires of us an example of all that is pure and true and of good report. He requires of us prayer without ceasing, and the diligent use of all the means of grace. He demands of us earnest, constant, self-denying labors, and hands ever open to give of our substance, gladly and bountifully, according as He has given unto ur. The Church of the future depends for what it is to be upon what we are and upon what we do now. If we fulfill our part well those that are to come after us will rise up

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and call us "blessed." But we must look beyond results in this life to the momentous issues of eternity. We may directly, and while we live here on earth be God's instruments in leading into the way of life many who shall hereafter be gathered as shocks of corn fully ripe into the eternal garner of the Lord. But our work in saving souls need not cease with our departure from this world. Our example and our deeds will live after us, and may indirectly promote the salvation of many who are as yet unborn.

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APPENDIX B.

The Treasurer herewith presents his accounts to the First Annual Convention of the Diocese of East Carolina from the organization of the Diocese, (in December, 1883,) to April 26, 1884, showing the following credit balances, viz:

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Respectfully submitted,

A. J. DE ROSSET, Treasurer.

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Page 23, line 17, for "was" read "were."

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Page 26. The last four lines in the committee's report beginning with that should be in quotation marks.

Page 40. The word "carried" is omitted, following Col. Fremont's resolution.

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The Rev. Joseph C. Huske, D. D.,

The Rev. N. Collin Hughes, D. D., John Hill,

The Rev. Israel Harding,

The Rev. Robert B. Drane.

A. J. DeRosset, M. D.,

Henry R. Bryan,

Robert E. Calder.

DEPUTIES TO THE GENERAL CONVENTION:

The Rev. N. Collin Hughes, D. D.,

The Rev. Joseph C. Huske, D. D.,

The Rev. Nathaniel Harding,

The Rev. Thomas M. Ambler,

A. J. De Rosset, M. D.,

John Hughes,

James C. McRae,

John W. Atkinson.

SUPPLEMENTARY DEPUTIES:

The Rev. Israel Harding,

The Rev. V. W. Shields,

The Rev. R. B. Drane.

The Rev. Luther Eborn,

W. J. Griffin, S. J. Hinsdale,

DuBrutz Cutlar.

John H. Hill, M. D.

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The Rt. Rev. Alfred Augustin Watson, D. D., Bishop, Wilmington.

PRIESTS.

The Rev. Ambler, Thomas M., Rector, St. Paul's, Wilmington, and Examining Chaplain.

Carmichael, James, D. D., Rector, St. John's, Wilmington, and Examining Chaplain.

Drane, Robert B., Rector, St. Paul's, Edenton.

Forbes, E. M., Rector, St. Paul's, Beaufort, and Examining Chaplain.

Harding, Israel, Rector, St. Mary's, Kinston, Holy Innocents, Lenoir co., and St. John's, Pitt co.

Harding, Nathaniel, Rector, St. Peter's, Washington, Examining Chaplain and Secretary of the Convention.

Haughton, Thomas B., Rector, Church of the Advent, Williamston.

Hillyar, James M., Rector, St. Stephen's, Goldsboro.

Hughes, N. Collin, D.D., Rector, St. Paul's, Greenville and Trinity Church, Beaufort county, and Examining Chaplain; P. O. Chocowinity.

Huske, Joseph C., Rector, St. John's, Fayetteville.

Clergy List.

The Rev. Jarvis, Herbert M., Rector, Grace Church, Woodville.

Kiernan, John, Rector, Christ Church, Elizabeth City.

Lewis, Wm. H., Rector, St. James', Wilmington. Price, N. E., Rector, St. Thomas', Bath.

Shields, Van Winder, Rector Christ Church, Newbern, and Examining Chaplain.

Sweetland, Edward R., Rector, Grace Church, Plymouth, and St. Thomas', Windsor.

Thorpe, Thomas M.

DEACONS.

The Rev. Barber, Samuel S., officiating in St. John's, Makeleyville, Hyde county; P. O. Lake Comfort.

Brady, Charles O., officiating in St. Mark's, Wilmington.

Burr, E. Chrysostom.

Cassey, Peter W., officiating in St. Cyprian's, Newbern.

McDuffy, Henry S., officiating in St. Joseph's, Fayetteville.

Hughes, N. C., Jr., officiating in Aurora Mission,Haw Branch Mission and Vanceboro Mission,Beaufort and Craven counties; P. O. Chocowinity.

Morelle, Daniel, Teaching in Wilmington.

Phelps, Hardy H., officiating in St. John's, Durham's Creek, P. O. Chocowinity.

Windley, Robert B., officiating in Zion Church, Beaufort county; P. O. Bunyan, Beaufort county. Candidates, Postulants, &c.

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CANDIDATES FOR PRIEST'S ORDERS.

The Rev. S. S. Barber,

The Rev. H. H. Phelps,

P. W. Cassey,

F. N. Skinner.

C. O. Brady,

Henry S. McDuffy,

CANDIDATES FOR DEACON'S ORDERS.

C. E. Saddler.

POSTULANTS.

T. E. Cutler,

Claudius F. Smith.

EXAMINING CHAPLAINS.

The Rev. Jas. Carmichael, D. D., The Rev. T. M. Ambler,

The Rev. E. M. Forbes,

The Rev. V. W. Shields,

The Rev. N. C. Hughes, D. D., The Rev. Nathaniel Harding.

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COMMITTEE ON CANONS:

The Rev. J. C. Huske, D. D.,

John Hughes,

V. W. Shields,

A. J. De Rosset, M. D.

T. M. Ambler,

Committee appointed to Inquire and Report a Plan for the Formation of a League or Brotherhood to Aid the Families of Deceased Clergymen in the Diocese.

The Rt. Rev. Alfred A. Watson, D. D. ,J. W. Atkinson. W. L. De Rosset.

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Tist of Parishes and Qission Stations

IN THE DIOCESE.

AND OF DELGATES ENTITLED TO SEATS IN THE CONVENTION OF 1885.

[Those marked thus * were present. Mission Stations in italics.]

Aurora Mission.

Holy Innocents, Avoca.

St. Thomas' Church, Bath.

James F. Carrow,

John F. Harding.*

Bayboro Mission.

St. Paul's Church, Beaufort.

James C. Davis,* J. L. Gibble,

Alonzo Thomas, M. R. Geffroy,

John Gibble,*

Charles McL. Higgins,

George Copes, C. E. Sadler.*

St. James' Church, Beaufort county.

D. W. Jarvis, George L. Swindell, F. B. S. Jarvis,

S. W. Clark.

Zion Church, Beaufort county.

O. H. P. Tankard, John M. Cotten,

Jesse Braddy, R. B. Cutler,

C. C. N. Cutler,

Charles E. Tankard, Abner N. Cutler.

James H. Aligood,

Burgaw, Pender county.

St. Joseph, Camden county.

Trinity Church, Chocowinity.

Harvey R. Bright,*
John R. Hughes,
George Bright,
W. H. Patrick.

S. B. Archbell, Frederic Grist.

St. Paul's Church, Clinton.

St. Andrew's, Columbia.

St. John's, Durham's Creek.

W. H. Fortescue, Edward Tripp, Joseph L. Butt,

Wm. M. Butt.

Ab. Tuten, Thomas C. Butt.

St. Paul's, Edenton.

F. N. Skinner,*
W. B. Shepard,
W. Y. Warren,
Thomas Thompson,

Frank Wood, H. H. Page, W. J. Leary, Jr.

St. John, Evangelist, Edenton.

Anderson Luten,

Armsted Daves.

Christ Church, Elizabeth City.

D. B. Bradford, J. W. Albertson, Jr., W. J. Griffin, Frank Vaughn,
Blucher Ehringhaus,
W. B. Murphy.

Fairfield, Hyde county.

Faison, Duplin county.

Falkland, Pitt county.

St. John's Church, Fayetteville.

Hon. R. P. Buxton, F. R. Rose, W. A. Guthrie, W. N. Tillinghast,* John B. Broadfoot, W. T. Campbell, Robert S. Huske, George H. Haigh.

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St. Joseph's Church, Fayetteville.

J. B. Hall,	D. Buxton,
T. H. McNeil,	Lewis Levy,
J. S. Leary,	F. A. Williston,
George H. Williams,	W. B. Barge.

St. Mary's Church, Gatesville.

St. Peter's, Gates county.

St. Stephen's, Goldsboro.

Col. G. W. Collier,			J. F. Dortch,
Dr. D. Cogdell,*		7	W. H. Barnes
Captain O. Holmes,*			H. P. Dortch,
George C. Royal,	,		J. H. Hill.
Captain O. Holmes,*	•		H. P. Dortch

St. Paul's Church, Greenville.

Harry Skinner,	Dr. Richard Williams,
R. R. Cotten,	Charles Skinner,
L. V. Morrel,	J. B. Worsley,*
Dr. W. M. B. Brown,	Henry Harding.

St. Martin's Church, Hamilton.

R. H. Everett,	N. H. Sebrel,
John P. Boyle,	H. I. Clark,
W. J. Cleary,	James H. Martin,*
G. C. Lamb,*	T. E. Darden.

Haw Branch, Beaufort county.

Church of the Holy Trinity, Hertford.

B. S. Skinner,	Francis Picard,
Dr. J. T. Smith,	James L. Skinner.

St. George's Church, Hyde county.

H. S. Gibbs,	F. S. Roper,
W. P. Midyett,*	S. F. Gaskins,
Edward Clark, M. D.,	A. B. Tunnell.
Milton Selby M. D.	

Jamesville, Martin county.

Juniper Bay, Hyde county.

St. Mary's Church, Kinston.

J. C. Washington, J. P. Hasket,* S. H. Abbott,* George E. Miller,* E. S. Laughinghouse,*L. A. Mewborne,J. P. Tucker,George A. Grimsby.

Holy Innocent's, Lenoir county.

St. John's Church, Makeleyville.

M. Makeley,
M. C. Whitfield, M. D.,*
George G. Newman,
A. J. Tooley,

A. J. Smith.

Marlboro, Pitt county.

St. Barnabas', Murfreesboro.

St. John's, Newbegun.

Christ Church, Newbern.

John Hughes,*
H. R. Bryan,
George H. Roberts,*
W. H. Oliver,*

John S. Long,*
John Dunn,
Robert Ransom,
J. B. Hughes, M. D.

St. Cyprian's Newbern.

J. B. Brown,*
J. H. Fisher,
C. E. Palmer,
George R. Green,

Israel Harris,
Matthiew Ellison,
J. J. Hill,
T. W. Spruil.

St. John's, Pitt county.

W. A. Pugh,
Fred. Harding,*
W. S. Wooten,*
W. J. H. Laughinghouse,

E. E. Powell,
J. E. May,
W. H. Tripp,
W. J. Kilpatrick.

St. Michael's, Pitt county.

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Pantego, Beaufort county.

Grace Church, Plymouth.

F. A. Boyle,*
T. O. Vail,

W. H. Ward.

Edmund Alexander.

Point Caswell, Pender county.

Rockahock.

Christ Church, Rockfish.

St. Mark's Church, Roxabel.

St. David's Church, Scuppernong.

D. Spruill,

Arthur Collins.

C. L. Pettigrew,*

Alexander Armstrong,

W. H. Hardison,

S. S. Woodley, N. O. Eborn.

H. H. Davenport.

St. Phillip's Church, Smithville.

St. Barnabas', Snow Hill.

St. John, Evangelist, South Mills.

Swan Quarter, Hyde county.

St. Paul's, Vanceboro.

St. Peter's Church, Washington.

Edmund S. Hoyt,*

W. A. Blount, M. D.,

J. G. Bragaw,

W. Z. Morton,

B. S. Hoskins,*

H. F. Hancock,

C. F. Ellison.

A. M. Buchanan.

St. Luke's Church, Washington county.

W. Cotten Downing,

W. A. Hodges, Thomas Vail,

A. L. Chesson, J. A. Chesson,

A. N. Vail.

Church of the Advent, Williamston.

Wilson G. Lamb,*

Thos. S. Burbank, M. D.

Joseph M. Siterson,*	Gideon Lamb,
Alexander H. Smith,	W. Z. Morton, Jr

St. James' Church, Wilmington.

A. J. DeRosset, M. D.,*	Col. J. G. Burr,
Col. William L. DeRosset,*	Clayton Giles,
Col. J. W. Atkinson,*	R. E. Calder,
William Calder,*	J. L. Boatwright.

St. John's Church, Wilmington.

Josh. T. James,	O. P. Meares, Jr.,
Gabriel Holmes,*	Duncan K. McRae,
H. G. Smallbones,*	Walter Rutland,
S. L. Fremont,*	W. H. Yopp.

St. Paul's Church, Wilmington.

R. E. Heide,	R. B. Wood,
F. M. Mitchell,	H. A. Burr,
DuBrutz Cutlar,	W. G. McRae,
R. G. Rankin,	W. H. Bernard.

St. Mark's Church, Wilmington.

J. H. Davis,	W. J. Stewart,
Valentine Howe,	H. G. Sampson,
J. O. Nixon,	C. W. Avant,
I. D. Sampson.	Francis Pavne.

St Thomas' Church, Windsor.

J. A. Grant,	E. W. Gray,
D. C. Winston,	L. S. Webb,
Theophilus Overby,	J. B. Gray,
I. I. Jacocks.	F. D. Winston.

St. John's Church, Winton.

Grace Church, Woodville.

J.	S	Griffin,	\mathbf{M} .	D.,
J.	H.	Brett.		

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FIRST DAY.

St. Mary's Church, Kinston, N. C., Wednesday, May 13th, 1885.

The Second Annual Convention of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the Diocese of East Carolina assembled in St. Mary's Church at 10 A. M.

The Rt. Rev. the Bishop of the Diocese offered prayers and called the Convention to order.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following Clergymen answered to their names:

The Rt. Rev. Alfred A. Watson, D. D.

The Rev. Thomas M. Ambler,

- " C. O. Brady,
- " James Carmichael, D. D.,
- " R. B. Drane,
- " Luther Eborn,
- " E. M. Forbes,
- " Israel Harding,
- " " Nathaniel Harding,

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Opening Services.

The Rev. N. C. Hughes, D. D.,

" N. C. Hughes, Jr.,

" " Joseph C. Huske, D. D.,

" " Henry S. McDuffey,

" N. E. Price,

" " R. B. Windley.

The roll of Delegates, who had presented certificates of election, was then called and the following answered to their names:

F. N. Skinner, Dr. D. Cogdell, G. C. Lamb, W. P. Midyett, James H. Martin, G. E. Miller, Fred. Harding, E. S. Hoyt, B. S. Hoskins, Dr. A. J. DeRosset, Wm. Calder, Gabriel Holmes.

A quorum not being present, a recess was taken until after Divine Service.

Morning Prayer was said by the Rev. E. R. Sweetland, Rev. Nathaniel Harding and the Rev. Israel Harding, the Rev. James Carmichael, D. D., reading the Litany. The Ante-Communion was read by the Bishop, assisted by the Rev. Dr. Hughes and the Rev. Dr. Huske. The Sermon was preached by the Rev. T. M. Ambler, from Acts x: 44: "While Peter yet spake these words the Holy Ghost fell on all them which heard the word." The offerings of the congregation for the Ravenscroft Church Book Society were received and presented by the Bishop. The Holy Communion was celebrated by the Bishop, assisted by Rev. N. C. Hughes, D. D., Rev. Joseph C. Huske, D. D. and the Rev. Thomas M. Ambler. The Rt. Rev. the Bishop of the Diocese pronounced the Benediction.

After Divine Service the Convention reassembled.

The roll was again called and the following Delegates, not present this morning, answered to their names:

Rev. P. W. Cassey, Rev. Van Winder Shields; Lay Delegates; C. E. Sadler, John Worsley, S. H. Abbott, W. H. Oliver, J. B. Brown, Col. W. L. DeRosset, Col. S. L. Fremont.

A quorum being present the Bishop declared the Convention duly organized.

On motion of the Rev. I. Harding, the Rev. E. M. Forbes was unanimously elected President.

On motion the Rev. N. Harding was elected Secretary.

The Secretary asked that the Rev. N. C. Hughes, Jr. be appointed Assistant Secretary. He was so appointed.

The Treasurer presented his Report. (See Appendix B.)

Dr. DeRosset moved that visiting clergy and clergy belonging to this Diocese but not entitled to seats be invited to take honorary seats in this Convention. Carried.

The Bishop here gave notice that he desired the first night of the next session of the Annual Convention to be devoted to the reading of Parochial Reports.

On motion the Convention took a recess until 5 P. M.

WEDNESDAY, 5 o'clock P. M.

The Bishop called the Convention to order.

The Rev, Dr. Hughes read the report of the Committee on Finance:

The Finance Committee respectfully report that they have examined the securities in the hands of the Treasurer of the Diocese, his vouchers for

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monies disbursed, and the cash in hand, and find them correct, and in ac cordance with his report already submitted to this Convention.

N. COLLIN HUGHES, Chairman.

The Bishop announced the following regular Committees:

COMMITTEE ON ELECTIONS.

Rev. N. C. Hughes, Jr.,

Gabriel Holmes, Dr. D. Cogdell.

NEW PARISHES.

Rev. Luther Eborn,

E. S. Hoyt,

G. C. Lamb.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS.

Rev. N. E. Price,

Fred. Harding,

C. E. Sadler.

COMMITTEE ON THE STATE OF THE CHURCH.

Rev. R. B. Drane,

G. E. Miller,

James Carmichael, D. D.,

Wm. L. De Rosset.

Israel Harding.

On motion of William Calder, the Convention went into the election of a Treasurer.

Rev. E. M. Forbes moved that Dr. A. J. DeRosset be unanimously elected. The ballot being dispensed with he was elected *viva voce*.

The Rev. Dr. Huske presented and read the report of the Standing Committee:

REPORT OF THE STANDING COMMITTEE.

The Standing Committee respectfully report that their first meeting after their election by the Convention at Washington, May 15, 1884, was held at that place on the following day. When Rev. Joseph C. Huske, D. D., was

re-elected President and Dr. A. J. DeRosset Secretary. At the same meeting the letters of the Standing Committees of the Dioceses of Pittsburgh and Western Michigan were laid before the Committee consenting to the consecration of the Rev. A. A. Watson, D. D. as Bishop of this Diocese with expressions of regret that the action of their bodies had been unavoidably delayed. And the Secretary was directed to record the fact that all the forty-eight Dioceses of the Church in the United States had given canonical consent to the consecration of our Bishop.

At the same meeting, May 16, 1884, consent was given to the election by the House of Bishops of Rev. Samuel D. Ferguson as Missionary Bishop of Cape Palmas and Rev. William J. Boone as Missionary Bishop of Shanghai

September 17, 1884, the Committee gave consent to the ordination of the Rev. Nymphas E. Price to the Priesthood, and to the consecration of Rev. Nelson S. Rulison, D. D., as Assistant Bishop of the Diocese of Central Pennsylvania.

October 15th, 1885, testimonials were given in favor of Mr. Hardy H. Phelps for ordination as Deacon in less than three years from the date of his admission as a candidate for Priest's Orders.

December 11, 1884, consent was given to the consecration of the Rev. William Paret, D. D., as Bishop of the Diocese of Maryland, and of Rev. George Worthington, S. T. D., as Bishop of the Diocese of Nebraska.

February 11, 1885, consent was given to the admission of Mr. Claudius Emmet Sadler as a candidate for Holy Orders.

Col. William L. DeRosset offered the following resolution:

Resolved, That clergymen who have been invited to honorary seats in this Convention, and who are canonically connected with this Diocese, be invited to take part in the discussions of this body.

Carried.

The Secretary presented the notification of the Secretary of the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies of proposed alterations in the Prayer Book.

Dr. DeRosset moved to refer the whole subject of arrears to

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the Finance Committee, with full power to effect a settlement on the best terms possible. Carried,

Col. Wm. L. DeRosset offered the following resolution:

Resolved, That the question as to the time and place of meeting of the next Convention be referred to a committee of three to whom shall be referred all matter pertaining thereto, to report on Friday morning at the opening of the session, and that said report be the special order when made.

Carried.

The Chair appointed as such committee Col. William L. DeRosset, Dr. D. Cogdell and George E. Miller.

William Calder offered the following resolution:

Resolved, That a committee of four, consisting of two Clergymen and two Laymen, be appointed to report nominations for the several committees required to be elected by ballot, Trustees of the University of the South and Trustees of the Diocese.

Carried.

E. S. Hoyt offered the following resolution:

Resolved, That the Treasurer be authorized to pay the expenses of clergymen in attendance upon this Convention, who are in charge of Parishes but not entitled to seats.

Carried.

The Bishop announced as the Committee on Nominations Rev. Dr. Carmichael, Rev. N. C. Hughes, Jr., Wm. Calder and E. S. Hoyt.

On motion the Convention adjourned until after Divine Service to-morrow morning.

Bishop's Address Referred.

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SECOND DAY.

THURSDAY MORNING, May 14th, 1885.

The Bishop called the Convention to order.

The roll was called and the following, in addition to those present on yesterday, answered to their names: Rev. Thomas B. Haughton: Lay Delegates; John Gibble, H. R. Bright, W. N. Tillinghast, W. C. Whitfield, M. D., John Hughes, John S. Long, F. A. Boyle, Wilson G. Lamb, Joseph M. Siterson, J. W. Atkinson, H. G. Smallbones, C. L. Pettigrew, George H. Roberts, O. Holmes.

The minutes of yesterday's session were read and approved.

The Bishop read his Annual Address. (See Appendix A.)

Rev. V. W. Shields moved that the portion of the Bishop's Address in reference to the University of the South be referred to a committee of three to report to this Convention. Carried.

The Bishop appointed as such committee Rev. V. W. Shields, Col. J. W. Atkinson, G. C. Lamb.

Col. S. L. Fremont moved that the portion of the Bishop's Address in reference to the Episcopal Residence and the Scholarship in the General Theological Seminary, still undivided, be referred to a committee of three to report to this Convention. Carried.

The chair appointed as such committee Rev. R. B. Drane, F. A. Boyle and Joseph M. Siterson.

Dr. DeRosset moved that the Bishop's Address be referred to the Committee on the State of the Church. Carried.

5. Report of Committee on Canons.

Rev. Jos. C. Huske, D. D., presented and read the report of the Committee on Canons:

The Committee on Canons respectfully report that at the Primary Convention of the Diocese at Newbern a resolution was passed referring to them the Constitution, Canons and Rules of Order of the Diocese of North Carolina, with instructions to report to the next Convention of the Diocese.

The V Article of the Constitution of the Church in the United States provides "That whenever the division of a Diocese into two or more Dioceses shall be ratified by the General Convention, each of the Dioceses shall be subject to the Constitution and Canons of the Diocese so divided, except as local circumstances may prevent, until the same may be altered in either Diocese by the Convention thereof.

The Constitution and Canons of the Diocese of North Carolina being thus (with the exception mentioned) the Constitution and Canons of this Diocese, the object of the above resolution, though not so expressly stated was yet no doubt to charge the Committee on Canons with the duty of considering and reporting to the ensuing Convention what changes in the Constitution, Canons and Rules of Order was in their judgment needful or desirable, in order the better to adapt them to the condition of this Diocese.

The Committee not having had the opportunity and advantage of personal conference as a body, previous to the Convention of 1884, could not make a full report to that Convention assembled at Washington, but it proposed such changes only as were necessary to be made immediately, which changes the Convention promptly adopted. They also proposed the following resolution, which was adopted by the Convention, viz:

"Resolved, That the Constitution, Canons and Rules of Order as amended by act of this Convention, together with all propositions to make further changes in the same, which may be adopted by this Convention, be referred to the Committee on Canons, with instructions to report to the next Annual Convention of the Diocese."

During the past Convention year your Committee, in obedience to their instructions, have considered the subject referred to them as well as their circumstances would allow. Three out of the five members of the Committee on Canons having been called together a number of times during the year, as members of the Standing Committee, took occasion at those times to confer upon this subject also. The result of their labors was communicated

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to the other two members of the Committee, who, after patient consideration of the subject, met them in full Committee, in which the whole subject was reviewed as thoroughly as the time would allow.

The final result was a resolve of the Committee to report to the Convention the additions to the Constitution and the changes in the Constitution and Canons, which appear in the printed paper marked (A), herewith submitted, and which it is not thought needful to specify particularly in the body of this report.

The Committee desire to add that in the discharge of the duty assigned them by the Convention, resulting in the proposed additions and changes, as they have not departed from the order of arrangement, so they had not intended to depart from any essential principle of the present Constitution and Canons. They are of the opinion that the Constitution and Canons which we have inherited by birth as a Diocese are in the main well suited to our condition, which, it is thought, has not been materially altered by the fact of division.

They are not unacquainted with the history of the present Constitution and Canons, nor insensible to the claims to respect which they have upon us-

With a view to vindicate this opinion and to aid those who may hereafter engage in the investigation of this subject, your committee hope that it will not be considered out of place to insert in this report the following brief history of the present Constitution and Canons:

They were adopted at Goldsbero in the year 1859, 26 years ago, in lieu of a Constitution and Canons, which had, in the words of the Journal, "been compiled and amended" and adopted at Wilmington in 1830. The Constitution under which the Church was organized in North Carolina in 1817 consisted of ten Articles, which remained unchanged up to 1830. There were in 1817 three canons; in 1819 three canons were added; in 1821, one; in 1824, two; in 1825, one; in 1827, one, and in 1830 two canons were added.

In the review of 1830 one Article was added to the original ten of the Constitution, relating to the composition of the Standing Committee, requiring that a majority of that committee "shall at all times be clergymen of this Diocese, and no layman shall be appointed a member of said committee except he be a communicant of the Episcopal Church." (See Journal of 1817, pp. 1 and 2, and Journal of 1830, pp. 23-28.)

The Committee who revised and enlarged the Constitution in 1859 was appointed in 1852, with power over "the Canons and Standing Resolutions

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only"—it being meant by "Standing Resolutions," as subsequently appears, the Rules of Order. (See Journal 1852, p. 47.) In 1853 their powers were enlarged so as to take into review the Constitution also. (See Journal 1853, p. 47.) This committee was composed of some of the ablest and most learned clergymen and laymen of the Diocese, viz. Rev. Dr. R. S. Mason, Rev. A. A. Watson, Rev. J. Avery Shepherd, Hon. John H. Bryan and Josiah Collins. In 1853 Rev. F. M. Hubbard was appointed in the place of Rev. Mr. Shepherd, removed from the Diocese. They had the subject under consideration for seven years, being continued from year to year by the Convention. The Rules of Order prepared by this Committee and recommended by them in lieu of Rules of Order adopted in 1832, and continued year by year up to that time by annual motion, were adopted by the Convention in 1858. In that year this Committee was increased by adding to it Rev. Dr. Curtis, Thomas Ruffin and Hon. W. H. Battle. (See Journal 1858, p. 66.)

The Constitution which they submitted to the Convention in 1859, "after," in the words of the Journal, "having been read and the whole carefully debated and considered was finally adopted by a unanimous vote." (See Journal 1859, p. 53.) Next day the body of Canons submitted by them, after some amendment, was unanimously adopted. (See Journal, page 59.) Since 1859 the Constitution and Canons then adopted have been amended from time to time, judiciously, as your Committee think, and as the want of amendment and additions was felt by experience in the working of the Church. As representing this continued revision and amendment various editions of the Constitution and Canons have been put forth-in 1863, 1868, 1871 and 1873. An edition of 1866 bears upon its title page the words "revised and adopted in May" of this year. But that edition did not differ from the edition of 1863, except in the substitution of the word "Convention" for "Council" deemed to be needful in consequence of our reunion with the Church in the United States at the end of the civil war. The error on the title page is acknowledged and accounted for by the Secretary on p. 52 of the Journal of 1867.

In 1878 a Special Committee of three was appointed to revise and publish a new edition of the Constitution and Canons of 1,200 copies. This Committee reported to the Convention of 1879 that they had examined the Journals from 1859 and found the text of the Constitution and Canons in such an unsatisfactory condition that they had authorized the publication of 150 instead of 1,200 copies, and intimated the need of amendments "to bring the several parts into more perfect consistency."

The Convention authorized this Committee to submit amendments which they had prepared, which, together with a most elaborate paper by Rev. Dr.

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Watson on this subject, were referred to the Committee on Canons with in structions to report to the next Convention.

The Committee on Canons made report to the Convention of 1880, which report, after the adoption of Section 6 of Canon VIII proposed therein, was referred back to them with instructions to report to the next Convention.

In 1881 substantially the same report was made by the Committee on Canons and its recommendations adopted, with one or two exceptions.

In 1882 the changes in the *Constitution* were confirmed, and the Canons passed in 1881, but whose operation had been suspended until final action was had and the changes in the Constitution went into effect.

An edition of the Constitution, Canons and Rules of Order as thus amended was issued under the authority of the Convention, which is the Constitution, Canons and Rules of Order now in use, with the exception of an addition to Canon XI, made by the Convention of 1883.

The object of this review is to show that the Constitution, Canons and Rules of Order as we now have them are entitled to great respect as being the result of careful study in committee and legislation grounded on that study and full discussion in convention continued year by year from 1852 to 1883. The history of all merely theoretic legislation, whether in State or Church is either useless or harmful. Such has not been the legislation of the Church in North Carolina but rather such as was intended to meet wants developed by experience.

Your Committee, therefore, in making the additions and changes now submitted to the Convention have aimed to be governed by the same principle.

If, however, it should be made apparent by discussion that in any case they have not so done or that the alterations proposed are not improvements they will cheerfully acquiesce in the better judgment of the Convention. For it is agreed among themselves, and hereby announced to the Convention, that in signing this report no member of the Committee intends to commit himself unreservedly to any addition or change proposed, but each reserves to himself the privilege of taking such action in respect thereto as upon debate and further consideration he may think proper.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

J. C. HUSKE, *Chairman*, T. M. AMBLER, V. W. SHIELDS,

A. J. DEROSSET, INO. HUGHES.

[N. B. The "printed paper marked A," referred to in the above report

comprised the Constitution and Canons as reported by the Committee. The The Constitution only was acted upon and after sundry amendments, made in the Committee of the Whole, was adopted as hereinafter stated, and will be found in Appendix A-III. The Canons as printed in same Appendix are in form as reported by the Committee on Canons and re-referred to them to report at the next Convention.]

During the reading of this report, on motion, the Convention took a recess until 4 P. M.

THURSDAY, May 14, 1885-4 P. M.

The Convention reassembled and was called to order by the Bishop.

The Rev. Dr. Huske finished the reading of the report of the Committee on Canons.

Dr. DeRosset moved that the Convention proceed to consider the *Constitution* as reported by the Committee on Canons.

Wm. Calder moved as an amendment that the Convention go into Committee of the Whole for such consideration.

Dr. DeRosset moved to lay the motion and amendment on the table until after the reports of committees. Carried.

The Bishop called for reports of committees.

The Rev. Dr. Hughes presented and read the report of the Finance Committee as follows:

The Committee on Finance respectfully report that an examination of the report of the Treasurer to this Convention reveals facts of both an encouraging and discouraging character.

Exclusive of \$422 96 received from the Treasurer of the Diocese of North Carolina as our portion of the receipts in his hands to the credit of the Cur-

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rent Episcopal and Contingent Fund, the receipts of this Fund for the past year have exceeded the expenses by more than \$700. The sums contributed to Diocesan Missions exceed the expenses by nearly \$440. These results clearly demonstrate the ability of this Diocese to meet all demands upon it for current expenses. But while this is true there are other facts which very clearly show that much more might be done toward the extension of our Master's Kingdom than is now actually accomplished. It appears to be universally regarded as desirable that the Permanent Episcopal Fund should be so increased that the annual income derived from it would suffice for the support of the Bishop, so that the Diocese might devote her almost undivided energies to the great mission work within her borders and to other charities. If all the parishes had paid their assessments in full during the past year, instead of \$708 88 to be added to the Permanent Episcopal Fund there would have been an addition to it of more than \$1,100 from the Current Episcopal and Contingent Fund alone. The amount of arrearages due to this latter fund is \$2,414 30. If this sum were at once paid in it would very materially aid in the support of the Episcopate.

Notwithstanding the fact that there is a surplus of more than \$500 in the treasury to the credit of Diocesan Missions the canonical collections in aid of that fund have fallen short of meeting its disbursements by nearly \$300. The surplus in hand is derived from three sources, viz: collections by the Bishop, special donations and a balance of over \$100 from last year. The collections made by the Bishop during his visitations amounted to nearly \$500 and exceed the collections made according to the requirements of Canon XXI by more than \$40. But it must be remembered that there were two Episcopal visitations throughout the Diocese during the past year, and that ordinarily so large a sum is not to be expected from this source. Of the 37 Parishes in the Diocese only 18, less than one-half have contributed anything whatever to this Fund, and of the 18 contributing Parishes a single Parish gave considerably more than all the other seventeen put together. But it must not be supposed that the surplus now in the treasury to the the credit of the current Missionary Fund indicates that the needs of the mission work are amply supplied. It is the very meagreness of the Mission Fund that prevents demands being made upon it. There are now numerous outlying Parishes and Mission Stations in whose behalf more than is now in the treasury could well be expended. There is not in the Diocese a single Missionary, in the true sense of that word, nor does the missionary treasury afford the means of sustaining one. Five times the amount now contributed to Diocesan Missions could well be employed in the furtherance of the great cause.

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Your Committee would also call attention to the neglected condition of the Relief, Education and Church Building Funds. Of the 37 Parishes assessed only 12 have contributed to the Relief Fund, 14 to the Education and 15 to the Church Building Fund, and of the whole number only seven have come up to the full measure of their canonical obligations.

The conservative and law-abiding character of this Church has ever been her glory and her strength. To what cause are we to attribute the present fearful neglect of the most express law of the Church requiring the clergy to take up stated collections in aid of her charities? Does any one doubt that the Church acts in the name of her Divine Master, and that her laws are binding upon the conscience? If the sums collected should be small the taking up of the collections would at least show that reverence for law which those in high stations should be the first in setting an example. But if the failure to take up the collections arises from oversight then your Committee would very earnestly recommend the observance of definite times of collections which should be punctually observed. And if the Convention does not see fit to determine them by canon, then we would suggest that each clergyman might appoint them for himself.

N. COLLIN HUGHES, Chairman.

The Rev. N. E. Price read the report of the Committee on Unfinished Business as follows:

Your Committee on Unfinished Business find on page 22 of the Journal of 1883-'84 a resolution offered by Col. J. W. Atkinson which reads as follows: "Resolved, That a committee of three, of which the Bishop shall be chairman, be appointed to inquire and report to the Convention of this Diocese, at its next session, a plan for the formation of a league or brotherhood to aid the families of deceased clergymen in this Diocese."

N. E. PRICE, FRED. HARDING, EMMET SADDLER.

The Rev. Dr. Hughes presented and read the report of the Education Committee:

The Education Committee respectfully report that they have made two appropriations since the meeting of the last Convention, one for \$50 and one for \$25, in all \$75.

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The amount received by the Treasurer of the Diocese during the past fiscal year from parishes and congregations in aid of the Education Fund amounted only to \$69.72. Of the 54 parishes and congregations in the Diocese only 14 parishes and two congregations have made any contribution whatever. We earnestly invoke the attention of the clergy to the requisition of Canon XXI, and also to the fact that according to Section 1 of Canon XXVI a violation of Canons is declared to be an offense rendering them liable to presentment.

N. COLLIN HUGHES, Chairman.

The Bishop announced the following Committee on Finance: The Rev. N. C. Hughes, D. D., Rev. N. E. Price, George H. Roberts, Wm. Calder, H. G. Smallbones.

The Rev. R. B. Drane read the report of the Church Building Committee:

The Church Building Committee respectfully report the appropriation of \$34 29 to St. James' Church, Pantego.

There is a balance on hand of \$71 31. The Treasurer's report shows that 24 parishes had not contributed anything.

We would remind ministers in charge that Canon XXI requires, at the least, one collection annually in every parish for the Church Building Fund.

ROBERT B. DRANE, for the Committee.

St. Mary's, Kinston, Ascension Day, 1885.

The Rev. Dr. Carmichael submitted the following report from the Committee on Nominations:

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON NOMINATIONS.

Standing Committee.—Rev. Joseph C. Huske, D. D., Rev. N. Collin Hughes, D. D., Rev. T. M. Ambler, Dr. A. J. DeRosset, Maj. John Hughes.

Executive Missionary Committee.—Rev. N. Harding, Rev. Van Winder Shields, G. H. Roberts, E. S. Hoyt.

Church Building Committee.—Rev. R. B. Drane, Rev. L. Eborn, Rev. T. B. Haughton, F. A. Boyle.

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Education Committee.—Rev. T. M. Ambler, Clayton Giles, H. G. Small-bones

Trustees of the Diocese. - George Davis, S. L. Fremont.

Trustees of the University of the South.—Rev. Van Winder Shields, Wm. Latimer, H. P. Dortch.

Wm. Calder moved that the Convention now go into Committee of the Whole for the consideration of the report of the Committee on Canons. Carried.

The house went into Committee of the Whole. Rev. Dr. Hughes was called to the chair.

The Committee rose, reported progress and asked leave to sit again.

Rev. Wm. H. Lewis asked to be excused from further attendance on the Convention.

On motion the Convention adjourned until to-morrow 9 o'clock.

THIRD DAY.

FRIDAY MORNING, May 15, 1885.

The Bishop called the Convention to order and offered prayers.

The roll call was on motion dispensed with.

The Secretary read the minutes of yesterday's session, which were approved.

The Treasurer presented a supplementary report. (See Appendix B-II.)

Reports of Trustees and Committee on Episcopal Residence.

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Col. S. L. Fremont read the report of the Trustees of the Diocese:

REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES OF THE DIOCESE OF EAST CAROLINA

The Trustees of the Diocese respectfully report that in accordance with the resolution adopted by the Convention of the Diocese of North Carolina in 1883, the Securities and Property constituting the Fermanent Episcopal Fund, the Fund for the Education of the Children of Deceased Clergymen, and the Fund for the Relief of Disabled Clergymen, Widows and Orphans, as well as the balance of current funds of the Diocese of North Carolina remaining on hand at the date of the organization of this new Diocese, after all debts pertaining thereto had been provided for, have been equally divided as will appear by reference to the statement of the Treasurer of the Diocese to this Convention.

There are two matters that the Trustees desire to bring to the attention of this Convention. The disposition of the late Episcopal Residence in the city of Wilmington, in which property the Diocese is an owner to the extent of one fourth of its value, and a Scholarship at the General Theological Seminary.

Both these subjects should receive the action of this Convention, but as they were mentioned in the Bishop's Address and referred to a special committee the Trustees decline to make any recommendation at this time, hoping that such action will succeed the report of the Committee, as will be satisfactory and fully sustain the interests of the Diocese in the same.

Respectfully submitted,

S. L. FREMONT.

F. A. Boyle read the report of the Committee appointed on the Episcopal Residence:

WHEREAS, This Convention understands that the Vestries of St. John's Parish and St. Mark's Parish, Wilmington, have tendered the use of the property in the city of Wilmington formerly occupied by Bishop Atkinson, so far as their respective fourth interests extends, as a permanent Episcopal Residence for the Bishop of the Diocese, and,

WHEREAS, The Diocese has acquired by deed of gift from St. James' Parish, Wilmington, their fourth interest in the same property in fee; therefore,

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Scholarship in General Theological Seminary.

Resolved, That this Convention accepts the offer made by St. John's and St. Mark's Parishes, and that the Trustees of the Diocese be and are hereby directed to purchase the one-fourth interest of John W. Atkinson for the sum of \$1,250.

Respectfully submitted,

R. B. DRANE.
F. A. BOYLE,
JOSEPH M. SITERSON.

Maj. John Hughes offered the following as a substitute:

Resolved, That the resolution of the Committee on the Episcopal Residence be qualified so as to read that "if the offer of the Vestry of St. John's and that of St. Mark's shall be ratified in writing and shall prove satisfactory to the Trustees of the Diocese, they shall accept the same and said Trustees shall purchase the one-fourth interest of Col. J. W. Atkinson in said Residence for \$1,250 and draw on the Treasurer for the amount, who is hereby instructed to pay the same out of the Permanent Episcopal Fund."

Carried.

Rev. Messrs. Hilton and Sweetland and Messrs. Martin, Smallbones and Gabriel Holmes were excused from further attendance.

F. A. Boyle from the Committee on the Scholarship in the General Theological Seminary made the following report:

WHEREAS, At the Primary Convention of the Diocese of East Carolina the Trustees of the Diocese were appointed a committee to confer with a similar committee from the Diocese of North Carolina to divide all the divisible property of the old Diocese; and,

WHEREAS, The North Carolina Scholarship in the General Theological Seminary was inadvertently omitted from the list of property so divided;

Resolved, That the committee then appointed be, and are hereby, instructed to confer with the committee on the part of the Diocese of North Carolina and, if necessary, to appear before the next Convention of said Diocese so as to secure the division of the benefits of this Scholarship in the

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only practicable way, viz: by giving to the Bishop of each Diocese the right to make alternate nominations to said Scholarship.

Respectfully submitted,

R. B. DRANE, F. A. BOYLE, JOSEPH M. SITERSON.

The resolution was adopted.

Rev. V. W. Shields read the following report from the Committee on the University of the South:

We recommend the adoption of the following resolution:

WHEREAS, We feel that it is obligatory on the Diocese of East Carolina, under the original compact between the Southern Dioceses and the University of the South, to raise the assessment laid upon it by its Board of Trustees for the support of that Institution; and,

WHEREAS, It seems to the Committee the most feasible manner to procure such assessment,

Be it resolved, That each clergyman in the Diocese be required to call the attention of the people under his care to the claims of the University of the South upon this Diocese, and to solicit from them annual subscriptions for the sustenance of its Theological Department, such subscriptions and funds paid otherwise to be paid to the Treasurer of the Diocese to be appropriated to that purpose.

V. W. SHIELDS, G. C. LAMB, J. W. ATKINSON.

The resolution was adopted.

Col. W. L. DeRosset, from the Committee on Place and Time of Meeting of the Next Convention, made the following report:

The undersigned Committee, appointed to consider and report upon the time and place for holding the next Convention beg leave to report and recommend the adoption of the following resolutions:

Resolved, 1st, That the next Convention be convened on the 4th Wednesday in May, 1886, being the 26th day of the month.

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Resolved, 2d, That the next Convention be held in St. Stephen's Parish, Goldsboro.

The resolutions were adopted.

On motion of William Calder the Convention went into Committee of the Whole for further consideration of the report of the Committee on Canons.

The Committee rose and reported to the Convention the completion of its work.

Rev. V. W. Shields moved that when the vote be taken upon the report of the Committee of the Whole said report be voted upon as a whole. Carried.

Col. W. L. DeRosset moved that the report of the Committee of the Whole be read.

The report on the Constitution was read and adopted unanimously by a concurrent vote of both Orders. (See Appendix A-III.)

The Rev. V. W. Shields moved that the report of the Committee on Canons—as to the Canons only—be referred to the Committee on Canons to report to the next Convention. Carried.

William Calder moved that a night session of the Convention be held unless business be sooner dispatched. Carried.

The Bishop announced as the

Committee on Canons—Rev. Jos. C. Huske, D. D., Rev. V. W. Shields, Rev. T. M. Ambler, Dr. A. J. DeRosset, Maj. John Hughes.

On motion the Convention took a recess until 4 P. M.

Report of Executive Missionary Committee.

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FRIDAY, 4 P. M.

The Convention reassembled, the Bishop in the chair.

The Rev. Israel Harding presented and read the report of the Executive Missionary Committee:

The Executive Missionary Committee find by examination of the Treasurer's report that the sum of \$635 was paid out to clergymen doing missionary work during the past year and that the sum of \$721 31 is available now for appropriation by the Committee for the ensuing year, which sum is far too small for the demands of this work. If the active and earnest efforts on the part of the Bishop to secure contributions to this Fund at his visitations was co-operated with by a similar zeal on the part of all the parishes in conforming to the canonical requirement of quarterly collections, then we could make our Missionary aggressive beyond the simply holding of the ground already occupied.

The Committee desire to protect this obligation from forgetfulness on the part of the members of the Church throughout the Diocese and to urge them, both clergy and laity, to faithfulness in this matter in order to meet the urgent wants of our missionaries and the many demands made of us for the services of the Church outside of our present sphere of operations.

Respectfully submitted,

ISRAEL HARDING, Chairman.

The Bishop read the following letter to the Convention:

WILMINGTON, DEL., Nov. 29th, 1884.

To the Rt. Rev. the Bishop of East Carolina:

My Dear Brother—It gives me much pleasure to communicate to you the accompanying letter of brotherly sympathy and congratulation from the Scottish Bishops by the hands of the Bishop of Connecticut.

Very sincerely yours,

ALFRED LEE, Presiding Bishop.

To the Right Reverend the Bishops of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the United States of America:

RIGHT REVEREND AND DEAR BRETHREN--We cannot refrain from sending to you, through our beloved Brother in Christ, the Bishop of Connecticut, who has so lately been the bearer to us of your fraternal address at our 1885.] Letter from the Scottish Bishops.

Centenary of the Consecration at Aberdeen; a few words of brotherly sympathy and congratulations from ourselves at your own commemoration of the same event, so interesting and so important in our common history.

The presence amongst us at the time of our Centenary of five of your own number, with some of your most distinguished clergy, enabled us to realize more fully than at any former time, and made more manifest than before, how real and of how great benefit to the Church is that living spiritual union between the Church in Scotland and the Church in America, which, through God's good providence, was originally formed a century ago by the consecration of Bishop Seabury. We have been strengthened more than words can express, not only by seeing face to face those whom before most of our Scottish Churchmen only knew by name but whose names are now household words amongst us, but also by the evidence of the graces and gifts of God's Spirit bestowed on them by their distinct and emphatic testimony to the same Catholic Faith and Doctrine as we have received by the counsel we have taken with them on questions of common interest to the Church in both countries, and by those acts of brotherly fellowship and communion in our one Lord, Jesus Christ, for which our only too brief intercourse gave us opportunities.

We feel assured that we may henceforth hope to have a larger share in your sympathies and in your prayers as, we trust also, you may have in ours. And we cannot but regard it as a call on us from God Himself for increased steadfastness and faithfulness in the trust committed to our charge and for abounding more and more both in zeal and in charity, that He has set before us for our encouragement, the great blessing graciously vouch-safed to our branch of the Church, through the apostolic ministry, which, in the first instance, you received at the hands of Scottish Bishops—a blessing manifested in the marvelous fruitfulness and almost unparalleled increase of the spiritual seed sown amongst you, and not less (we are persuaded by that which we hear of you), in that unity and godly concord amongst your-selves, maintained notwithstanding your past trials as a nation, in which so much of your strength lies, and which afford its witness to the world without Christ's presence and power in the midst of you.

To Him Who is the Father of our one Lord Jesus Christ, Who has redeemed us by the same precious blood of His dear Son and united us in one body by the same Spirit, be all the glory and praise and thanksgiving for His manifold gifts to us in Christ. In Him we affectionately wish you farewell, and

pray for the continued increase of His gifts to the Church, both in your own country and ours.

- Signed (by authority) for the Right Reverend ROBERT EDEN, D. D., Bishop of Moray, Ross and Caithness, Primus.
- (In his own name and in behalf of) the Right Reverend HENRY COTTERILL, D. D., Bishop of Edinburgh.
- The Right Reverend WILLIAM S. WILSON, L. L. D., Bishop of Glasgow and Galloway,
- The Right Reverend Hugh Willoughby Jermyn, D. D., Bishop of Brechin.
- The Right Reverend the Hon. A. G. Douglas, D. D., Bishop of Aberdeen and Orkney, and
- The Right Reverend J. R. A. CHINNERY-HALDANE, Bishop of Argyle and the Isles.
- ROBERT A. EDEN, M. A., Commissary for the Primus.

Eden Court, Inverness, All Saints' Day, 1884.

Col. W. L. DeRosset offered the following resolution:

Resolved, That 750 copies of the Journal of the Convention be published, and that the statistics from the Parochial Reports be printed therein in tabular form, followed by the remarks appended to said reports.

Carried.

Rev. T. M. Ambler moved that the Convention go into the election of committees. Carried.

The Chair appointed as Tellers Rev. N. E. Price for the Clerical vote and Fred. Harding for the Lay vote for the Standing Committee.

During the counting of the vote for Standing Committee the Chair appointed as Tellers for the vote for the Executive Missionary Committee Rev. Thomas B. Haughton and Wm. Calder. 1885.]

Election of Committees & Trustees.

The Tellers announced the election of the following

STANDING COMMITTEE:

Rev. J. C. Huske, D. D., Rev. Thos. M. Ambler, Dr. A. J. DeRosset, Maj. John Hughes.

Rev. N. C. Hughes, D. D.,

The Tellers announced the election of the following

EXECUTIVE MISSIONARY COMMITTEE:

Rev. N. Harding,

George H. Roberts,

Rev. V. W. Shields,

E. S. Hoyt, John S. Long.

The following were elected as the

CHURCH BUILDING COMMITTEE:

Rev. R. B. Drane,

F. A. Boyle,

Rev. L. Eborn,

W. G. Lamb.

Rev. T. B. Haughton,

The following were elected as the.

EDUCATION COMMITTEE:

Rev. T. M. Ambler,

Wm. Calder,

H. G. Smallbones.

The following were elected

TRUSTEES OF THE DIOCESE:

Hon. George Davis,

Col. S. L. Fremont.

The following were elected

TRUSTEES FOR UNIVERSITY OF THE SOUTH:

Rev. V. W. Shields,

Wm. Latimer,

W. B. Shepard.

Report of Committee on State of the Church.

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Rev. Israel Harding offered the following resolution:

Resolved, That this Convention endorses the efforts of Rev. Messrs. E. N. Joyner and Joseph B. Cheshire, Jr., editors of the *Church Messenger*, in their labors to build up the paper, and can but express the hope that they may succeed in an enterprise that has for its object the extension of the Church, and which seems, from the low price of the paper, to be entirely free from any mercenary purpose.

Carried.

Col. S. L. Fremont moved that the thanks of this Convention be extended to the Rector, Wardens, Vestry and congregation of St. Mary's Parish, and to the citizens of Kinston for the hospitality shown to this body.

Rev. Dr. Hughes moved that the Treasurer be directed to pay the expenses of the Rev. T. B. Haughton, who was late in coming to the Convention. Carried.

Rev. R. B. Drane presented and read the report of the Committee on the State of the Church:

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON THE STATE OF THE CHURCH.

Your Committee would respectfully report that as to the State of the Church, in its head and members, as indicated by the Parochial Reports, and which, on account of their imperfection, we do not itemize, doubtless we may be encouraged.

Increased Episcopal service was rendered possible and such service has been efficiently and acceptably rendered. The Apostolic injunction, "Do the work of an evangelist," seems to have been heeded. Visitations have been made not only where confirmation was to be administered but also repeatedly to outlying Mission Stations. Has not this example affected the Church in Convocation and especially the clergy in feeling of their individual ministerial responsibility? This zeal should be operative. Clergymen may not be at liberty to come and go from their cures for every cause, but "Come over and help us" emphasizes the duty of looking on others' needs, over neighbors, and we rejoice to observe that the increasing number of Licensed Lay Readers is supplying vacant stations and is enabling the clergy

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to go out to seek what might become lost and baptize and feed with the Bread of Life, without leaving their own churches closed and congregations scattered as having no shepherd. Still we fear there is practically too much selfishness in both clergy and people. So long as we have not Diocesan and Convocational Evangelists in the field we must do more of this work ourselves. We will not do so without the spirit of true religion animating us. It may be the duty of this Committee to deal more especially with outward things than statistics, but as we count the public services we cannot help thinking of the private religion without which the life of the Church must decay and her activities cease or be perverted. We would therefore briefly call attention to the duty of God's worship in the home. We fear that heads of families are neglecting this duty. With the sacred fire kept burning on the home altar every Churchman will surely feel that the true mission of the Church is to seek and save the lost everywhere. It is the opinion of the Committee that the clergy of the Diocese should give especial heed to the requirements of Sec. 1, Canon XII, Title 2, of the General Canons and require, where it can possibly be had, the production of the specified letter of transfer before the person seeking enrollment shall be put on the list of communicants in the parish.

The custom of Vestries conferring with the Bishop at his Visitation as practiced during the past year has been found of real service to the cause, and it is heartily approved by all.

ROBERT B. DRANE, J. CARMICHAEL, ISRAEL HARDING, W. L. DEROSSET, GEO. E. MILLER.

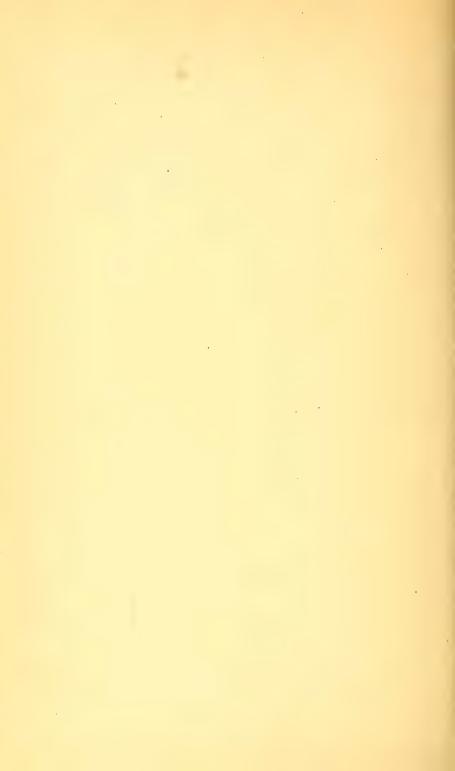
The minutes of the day's session were read, corrected and approved.

It was moved that after suitable devotions the Convention adjourn *sine die*.

The Gloria in Excelsis was sung, prayers were offered by the Bishop, who pronounced the Benediction, and the Convention adjourned *sine die*.

NATHANIEL HARDING, Secretary.

N. C. Hughes, Jr., Assistant Secretary.



APPENDIX A.

EPISCOPAL ADDRESS.



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Bishop's Address.

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BRETHREN OF THE CLERGY AND LAITY:

I can scarcely realize that a year has passed since we last met in Diocesan Convention. Looking back upon this interval, it seems almost literally as a dream when one awaketh —as if its long succession of events must be a pageant of the imagination. Yet it has been a serious reality.

It has been a prolonged opportunity for well doing. Have we improved it? What have we done for the glory of our Sovereign, for the happiness of mankind, for the advancement of God's kingdom? Whatever has not been done in one of these directions has been, I fear, labor comparatively thrown away; at least, bestowed to transient ends.

In accordance with the requirements of the Canon I present the following record of my official acts since our last meeting:

Immediately upon the adjournment of the Diocesan Convention of 1884 I set out upon a general visitation of the Diocese.

May 18th, Sunday 5th after Easter. I officiated morning and night at St. Peter's, Washington, assisted by a number of the brethren who had tarried after the close of the Convention. At both Morning and Evening Prayer I took part in the service and preached. In the morning administered the Holy Communion. At the evening service I confirmed two persons.

May 19, Monday. At Zion Church, Beaufort county, assisted

by Rev. Messrs. I. Harding, N. Harding, R. B. Windley and N. E. Price, said prayer, preached, celebrated the Lord's Supper and confirmed five persons.

After service I met the vestry of Zion church, Rev. Mr. Windley, in charge of this parish, adds to his parochial duties the labors of a school. While the church, in her missionary work, has always found schools under her own management to be most valuable and almost necessary assistants, and while it is almost impossible to overestimate their value as supporters and feeders of the parish, it is yet to be regretted that in any well established congregation the Minister should be compelled to undertake this additional labor in order to his proper support. The time and labor bestowed upon the school is necessarily subtracted from that available for more direct parochial work. It is so much lost of what would be otherwise available for parochial visiting, for study and for the preparation of public instructions. Besides which the mental exhaustion of a faithful teacher necessarily indisposes, even if it does not incapacitate him for his other and higher work.

By all means, have the schools. But let them be taught, if possible, by a second person, and let the minister be otherwise supported, so that he may be in possession of all his natural vigor for his regular parochial work.

May 20, Tuesday. At St. Thomas', Bath, assisted by Rev. Messrs. R. B. Windley and N. E. Price, said Morning Prayer, preached and celebrated the Holy Communion, renewing the associations of thirty-one years before, when this old parish was in my charge as a priest. Bath was, in colonial times, a fenced town with gates and bars, and holds still its ancient common from which its inhabitants are privileged to cut their firewood free of cost. It has, I think, the oldest church edifice in the Diocese, the date upon its walls being 1734,

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while I understand that of 1732 is, or was, inscribed upon its bell. This was at one time one of the seats of the Colonial Legislature and the residence of a Colonial Governor. I was glad to find the Church building in comparatively good repair.

After service I met the vestry of the parish and made arrangements to secure the services of the Rev. N. E. Price. I licensed two persons to act under him as Lay Readers.

May 21, Wednesday. At S. James', Beaufort county, assisted by Rev. N. E. Price, said Morning Prayer, celebrated and preached. After service met the vestry. In this parish there are two lay readers, whose commissions I continued.

At night, at Pantego, by invitation of one of the trustees of the Baptist congregation in that place, said Erening Prayer and preached in their church, quite a handsome edifice. For the cordiality with which the use of the church was tendered they had and have my hearty thanks. The congregation at Pantego have nearly completed a church edifice of their own, which, however, they are at present unable, through want of means, to finish.

May 23, Friday. Officiated in Trinity parish, Chocowinity, one of the oldest and most interesting parishes in the Diocese.

The church, a wooden building, is said to be more than one hundred years old, and is in very good preservation, showing the filial care of the people for the house of their God. Assisted by Rev. Messrs. N. C. Hughes, D. D., N. C. Hughes, Jr., N. Harding and N. E. Price, said Prayer, preached, celebrated and confirmed two persons. After service met the vestry.

May 25, Sunday after Ascension. At St. Paul's, Greenville, assisted by Rev. N. C. Hughes, D. D., officiated morning and night, preaching and celebrating in the morning, and preaching at night. In this parish steps have been taken for

the erection of a new church, the corner stone of which I hope to lay upon my visitation on the last Sunday of this month. After service I met the vestry. In the morning I had met and addressed the children.

May 28, Wednesday. At S. John's Durham's Creek, assisted by Rev. N. C. Hughes, Jr., said Morning Prayer, celebrated and preached. After service met the vestry.

May 29, Thursday. At Aurora, a comparatively new but flourishing town, said prayer, celebrated and preached in the school house, assisted by Rev. N. C. Hughes, Jr. This is, at present, only an organized mission. But the zeal of its members gives reason to hope that before long it may be able to take rank among our established parishes. The room was crowded, some standing during the whole service. There is a neat and appropriate Church edifice approaching completion, upon which, however, work has been suspended in consequence of the lack of funds. The same afternoon, at the house of Capt. Alexander Davis, I baptized a sick adult.

May 30, Friday. Said Morning Prayer and preached in a school house at Haw Branch, a mission in charge of Rev. N. C. Hughes, Jr.

June 1, Whitsunday. In the morning, assisted by Rev. S. S. Barber, said Morning Prayer, celebrated and preached at S. John's, Makelyville. In the evening, at the same place, said Evening Prayer, assisted by Rev. Mr. Barber, and preached.

June 2, Monday. Met the vestry of S. John's.

June 3, Tuesday. In the court house at Swan Quarter, assisted by Rev. S. S. Barber, said Evening Prayer and preached.

June 4, Wednesday. In a School House at Juniper Bay, assisted by Rev. S. S. Barber, said Morning Prayer and Litany, celebrated and preached.

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June 6, Friday. At S. George's, Hyde county, said Evening Prayer and preached.

June 7, Saturday. At a private house baptized a child. In the afternoon I met the vestry of S. George's.

June 8, Trinity Sunday. At S. George's, assisted by Rev. S. S. Barber, said Morning Prayer and Litany, celebrated and preached. At the same service baptized one adult and two children, and confirmed seven persons.

This parish, one of the most desirable in the Diocese, has now been without a Minister for more than a year. There is a comfortable rectory, in excellent order, and a glebe attached. There is also a horse and vehicle as one of the appurtenances of the rectory.

Having made an appointment for Fairfield for Sunday night, I drove over to that place. Bad weather, however, prevented the assembling of the congregation. Here there are several members of the Church, and at one time, I am informed, there was a fair prospect of organizing a parish or a mission. At present, however, the attempt has been suspended.

June 10, Tuesday. At South Mills, in Camden county, in a private house, I confirmed an aged and infirm man.

At night, assisted by Rev. Messrs. J. Kiernan, R. B. Drane and E. C. Burr, I officiated and preached in the chapel of S. John, the Evangelist, confirming six persons. This is a beautiful structure, erected mainly by the personal efforts of the late Col. D. D. Ferabee and Mr. Chas. R. van de Carr.

June 11, Wednesday. At Christ Church, Elizabeth City, assisted by Rev. Messrs. Kiernan and Stewart, said Morning Prayer and the Litany, preached and celebrated the Holy Communion.

In the afternoon, at S. John's chapel, Newbegun, assisted

by Rev. Mr. Kiernan, said Evening Prayer and preached. *June 12, Thursday.* In Holy Trinity, Hertford, assisted by Rev. Mr. Stewart, said Morning Prayer, preached, celebrated the Lord's Supper and confirmed two persons.

At Evening Prayer officiated, assisted by Rev. Mr. Stewart, and lectured. The same day I met the vestry of Holy Trinity, Hertford.

June 13, Friday. At Christ Church, Elizabeth City, officiated at Evening Prayer, assisted by Rev. Mr. Kiernan. Met the vestry.

June 15, Sunday. I officiated at S. David's, Scuppernong, saying Morning Prayer, preaching, celebrating the Communion, baptizing three persons and confirming fifteen, of whom three were colored. In the afternoon said Prayer and lectured.

In this parish there seems to be a reawakening on the part of the colored people of their old interest in the Church. Those of us who were familiar with the work of the Church in this region before the war, can remember the efforts of the late Mr. Collins and the Messrs. Pettigrew for the religious training of their slaves, and have been saddened by the apparent destruction of their noble work. But it may be that the seed sown shall yet bear fruit to the glory of God and the salvation of many souls. In the reconstruction of the old "Pettigrew's chapel," it was made a point by those gentlemen that sittings should be reserved for their servants. rangement still continues, but it is the opinion of the Rector that the attendance and interest of the colored congregation would be much increased by their possession of a separate In order to this, however, the parish would need assistance. There is, in addition to the Sundayschool for the white children, one, also, for the colored

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children, in which the descendants of the Rev. Ebenezer Pettigrew, once Bishop elect of North Carolina, take an active interest.

June 16, Monday. In S. Andrew's chapel, Columbia, said Morning Prayer, celebrated, preached and confirmed one person.

June 18, Wednesday. At S. Luke's, Washington county, said Morning Prayer and Litany, preached and administered the Communion. After service met the vestry.

June 19, Thursday. Administered the Communion to a sick person.

Same day, at night in Grace Church, Plymouth, said Evening Prayer, assisted by Rev. R. B. Drane, and preached. After service met the vestry.

June 20, Friday. In Grace Church, Plymouth, assisted by Rev. R. B. Drane, said Morning Prayer and Litany, celebrated, preached, and confirmed four persons.

June 21, Saturday. In the chapel of the Holy Innocents, Avoca, assisted by Rev. R. B. Drane, said Morning Prayer, preached, and celebrated the Lord's Supper.

June 22, Sunday. At S. Paul's, Edenton, assisted by Rev. Mr. Drane, said Morning Prayer and Litany, celebrated, preached, and confirmed six persons.

At Evening Prayer in the same place, officiated and catechized the children.

The same day, at night, assisted by Rev. Mr. Drane, officiated and preached for the colored congregation in the mission chapel of S. John Evangelist, confirming two persons. This is not yet a parish, but is an organized and vigorous mission, under the care of the Rector of S. Paul's, who has, thus far, conducted it very successfully.

After service I met the warden and secretary, and was

gratified by the evidence of what the congregation was doing for itself. The building was erected by the private liberality of a member of S. Paul's; the lot was bought by the congregation and the charel furnished by the colored guild; the chancel furniture was made by the Rector of S. Paul's.

June 23, Monday. In the morning I met the vestry of S. Paul's.

In the evening, in a School House at Rockahock (distant about 12 miles from Edenton), assisted by Rev. Mr. Drane, I said Evening Prayer, preached, and confirmed 1 person.

June 24, Tuesday, Festival of S. John Baptist. In S. Paul's, Edenton, assisted by Rev. Mr. Drane, I said Prayer and spoke.

June 26, Thursday. In S. Martin's, Hamilton, assisted by Rev. H. G. Hilton, said Morning Prayer celebrated and preached. At night, in same place, assisted by Rev. Mr. Hilton, said Evening Prayer, preached, and confirmed 1 person.

After Evening Prayer met the vestry.

June 27, Friday. At Williamston, Martin county, met the convocation of Edenton. My meetings with this body have given me both pleasure and encouragement. The intercourse with these brethren has been refreshing, socially; but, more than this, their zeal and active co-operation have strengthened my hands. Their organization is provided for by our seventeenth Canon. Judiciously managed as our convocations have been, they may be of great service by gathering the clergy for mutual consultation and consultation with their Bishop, and by the co-operative action which may follow.

I well remember what added strength we who were members of the first North Carolina convocation—that of the Albemarle, organized in 1849—derived from our association. Its influence was, moreover, most manifest in the increased in-

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terest taken by our congregations in the Church's work and in their increased contributions. It was a happy and blessed tie, for which I believe that all its members have thanked God ever since.

But even the good things of this earth have their dangers. That of the convocation is the liability to carry to too great an extent the oversight of the parishes and missions within its limits, thus erecting itself into a sort of Presbytery after the fashion of our Presbyterian brethren. However valuable this arrangement may be from a Presbyterian point of view, it does not consist with our polity as Episcopalians. From our point of view, it is better that the duty of supervision should be laid upon the Bishop, and that he should be required to undertake it. However inefficiently he may do this at first, as compared with what might be accomplished by the united wisdom and energy of the convocation, it is, upon our theory, his responsibility by Divine appointment, and for this reason will probably, in the end, be better done by him. I do not say this with reference to any existing body in the Diocese. For I am glad (and, if pride in any form were right, would be proud) to say that, so far, this Diocese, in all its parts, has borne itself as a true member of the great Church Catholic. I can and do testify to the thoroughly brotherly and loyal support given me in my office by all my brethren of the clergy. In this respect (and, indeed, in any other) I would not exchange the Diocese of East Carolina for any other in our country.

In this connection I ought to mention the action of the convocation in offering the services of its members for Special Mission work at the call of the Bishop. Of this offer I have already taken advantage. During the past winter Rev. N. Harding has at my request visited the vacant parishes in Hertford and Gates counties.

June 27, Friday. Said Evening Prayer in the Church of the Advent, Williamston, assisted by Rev. Dr. Hughes, and Messrs. Hilton, N. Harding, Haughton and Price, Rev. Mr. Harding preaching.

June 28, Saturday. In the same place, assisted by the same brethren, and Rev. Mr. Drane, said Morning Prayer, Mr. Hilton preaching.

June 29, Sunday. In the same place, and assisted by the same brethren, said Morning Prayer and Litany, celebrated, preached, and confirmed 1 person.

In the afternoon met the children of the parish.

At night, in the same place, and assisted by Rev. Messrs. Hughes, D. D., R. B. Windley, and W. Smith, said Evening Prayer, Rev. Dr. Hughes preaching.

June 30, Monday. In Union chapel, Jamesville, assisted by Rev. T. B. Haughton, said Morning Prayer, preached, and celebrated the Lord's supper.

July 1, Tuesday. In S. Thomas', Windsor, said Morning Prayer, celebrated and preached.

After service met the vestry.

In the afternoon buried a child.

At night, in the same church said Evening Prayer and preached.

July 3, Thursday. In Grace Church, Woodville, Bertie county, said Morning Prayer, celebrated and preached.

After service met the vestry.

In the afternoon, in the same place, said Evening Prayer and addressed the congregation.

July 4, Friday. In S. Mark's memorial chapel, Roxobel, assisted by Rev. H. G. Hilton, said Morning Prayer and Litany, preached, celebrated the Holy Communion, and baptized an infant.

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July 5, Saturday. Received and accepted as of this date, by transfer from the Bishop of North Carolina, Frederic Nash Skinner as a candidate for Deacon's Orders.

July 6, Sunday. At S. Barnabas, Murfreesboro, said Morning Prayer and Litany, celebrated, and preached.

In the afternoon, in the same place, said Evening Prayer, preached and baptized a child.

July 8, Tuesday. In S. John's, Winton, Hertford county, said Morning Prayer, preached, baptized 3 children, and celebrated the Lord's Supper.

July 9, Wednesday. In S. Mary's, Gatesville, said Morning Prayer, celebrated and preached.

July 10, Thursday. In S. Stephen's, Goldsboro, assisted by Rev. Israel Harding, said Evening Prayer, Mr. Harding preaching.

July 11, Friday. Met the vestry of S. Stephen's.

July 11, Friday. In S. Stephen's, Goldsboro, assisted by Rev. Israel Harding, said Morning Prayer and Litany, celebrated and preached.

July 12, Saturday. In S. Gabriel's, Faison, said Morning Prayer, celebrated and preached.

July 13, Sunday. In S. Paul's, Clinton, said Morning Prayer and Litany, celebrated and preached.

Visited the Sunday-school.

At night said Evening Prayer, preached, baptized an adult, and confirmed 2 persons.

Same day met the vestry of S. Paul's.

July 14, Monday. Confirmed in private a sick person, and baptized in private and by private form 2 children.

July 20, Sunday. In S. James', Wilmington, celebrated at an early service, and at a later hour in the same church said Morning Prayer and Litany and preached.

Same day, in S. James said Evening Prayer, preached, and baptized 3 children.

At night at S. Mark's, Wilmington, said Evening Prayer, preached, and confirmed 13 colored persons.

July 24, Thursday. At the meeting of the Board of Trustees of the University of the South at Sewanee, Tenn: took part in the opening service.

July 27, Sunday. In S. Augustine's chapel, Sewanee, at Morning Prayer, took part in the service.

At night in S. Paul's-on-the-Mountain, Sewanee, said Evening Prayer, assisted by Rev. Dr. Shoup, and preached.

Aug. 3, Sunday. In Church of the Advent, Nashville, Tennessee, said Morning Prayer and Litany, assisted by the Rector and preached.

At night took part in the service and preached.

Aug. 9, Saturday. Met the vestry of S. Paul's, Beaufort, N. C.

Aug. 10, Sunday, 9th after Trinity. In S. Paul's Beaufort, said Morning Prayer, assisted by Rev. E. M. Forbes, and preached. In the afternoon, at the School House occupied by S. Clement's colored mission, said Evening Prayer, assisted by Rev. Mr. Forbes, and preached.

Same day visited both Sunday-schools.

At night in S. Paul's said Evening Prayer, assisted by Rev. Mr. Forbes, and preached.

Aug. 13, Wednesday. Met the vestry of Christ Church, Elizabeth City.

Aug. 15, Friday. In S. Paul's, Edenton, took part in the service at Morning Prayer.

At night met the colored congregation of S. John Evangelist at Evening Prayer. Took part in the service, and addressed them on the subject of the recent loss of their 1885.] Bishop's Address.

church. This building, in which I officiated on the 22d of June, with so much satisfaction, had been literally destroyed by a tornado. It had been the gift of a generous layman, who could scarcely be expected to repeat so large a benefaction. The case of the congregation, which had been working so hopefully and so energetically, but had met with such a sudden and complete destruction of all that they had prepared, was pitiable.

They were, however, already striving to help themselves, and had subscribed a very respectable sum to the restoration of the building, but yet far from enough to replace it. Their loss and their self-respecting effort to help themselves entitle them to the regards of the Diocese, and I would warmly commend their case to their more fortunate brethren.

Aug. 17, Sunday. Assisted by Rev. Chas. Stewart, I said Morning Prayer and preached on board the Steamer Shenandoah, at Nag's Head, Captain Southgate having very kindly offered his saloon for the purpose. The service was well rendered, and was well attended by members of the Church, guests at the hotel.

It seems to me important that religious services should be provided by our Church for the summer visitors at Nag's Head. Their number is largely made up of members of our Church. The temptations usual at such places to forgetfulness of religious obligations, and especially of the due observance of the Lord's day and of the worship of God, must be supposed to exist also there. Especially is it disastrous to the young of both sexes to become habituated, during several months of the year, to the neglect of public worship and the removal of religious restraints. Before the war we had a chapel there, built through the influence, if I am not mistaken, of the Rev. Mr. Forbes, who served it during the summer and kept up constant, if not daily, prayers.

It is a matter of very great importance that steps should be taken as speedily as possible to build again. I have in my hands for that purpose a small sum, collected at the time of my service there and by Rev. Mr. Stewart on other occasions. During a part of last summer I requested Mr. Stewart to remain there and maintain the service. This he did.

At night I officiated at the hotel, the parlor of which was kindly opened for us by the proprietor. I was assisted by Rev. Mr. Stewart, who preached.

Aug. 24, Sunday, 11th after Trinity. I officiated at an early celebration in S. James' parish, Wilmington, assisted by Rev. J. E. C. Smedes, D. D.

The same day, assisted by the Rev. Drs. Patterson and Carmichael, I said Morning Prayer at S. John's, Wilmington, celebrated, preached, and confirmed 11 persons.

In the afternoon at S. James', assisted by Rev. J. E. C. Smedes, D. D., said Prayer and lectured.

Aug. 31, Sunday, 12th after Trinity. In the Presbyterian church at Burgaw, kindly placed at our disposal, I said Morning Prayer and Litany, preached, baptized an infant, and confirmed 1 person.

Afterward, at a private house administered the Communion.
At night, in the Presbyterian church I said Evening Prayer and preached.

Sept. 7, Sunday, 13th after Trinity. In the Baptist church at Lake Waccamaw I said Morning Prayer and Litany, and preached.

In the afternoon of the same day said Evening Prayer at the hotel, and lectured.

Sept. 9, Tuesday. At the house of Mrs. Thos. O. Brown, in Bladen county, I administered the Communion, said Morning Prayer, and lectured.

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Sept. 14, Sunday, 14th after Trinity. In S. Philip's, Smithville, said Morning Prayer and Litany, preached, and celebrated the Lord's Supper.

In the afternoon in the same place I said Prayer, preached, and baptized a child.

Sept. 15, Monday. At a private house in Smithville I administered clinic baptism to an infaut.

Sept. 18, Thursday. At a private house in Wilmington baptized by private form a sick child.

Sept. 19, Friday. In Wilmington baptized by private form a sick child by the bedside of its dead mother.

Sept. 21, Sunday, 15th after Trinity. In S. James', Wilmington, celebrated at an early service, assisted by Rev. J. E. C. Smedes, D. D.

On the same day at S. Paul's, Wilmington, said Morning Prayer and Litany, and preached.

In the afternoon at S. Paul's said Evening Prayer and preached.

Sept. 25, Thursday. At night in S. James Church married a couple.

Sept. 28, Sunday, 16th after Trinity. In S. James', Wilmington, took part with Rev. J. E. C. Smedes, D. D., in the early celebration.

The same day said Morning Prayer and Litany in S. James' Church, and preached.

The same day in the afternoon at S. John's took part in the Evening Prayer, and confirmed 3 persons.

Sept. 29, Monday, Fest. of S. Michael and All Angels. At S. James', Wilmington, took part in the services, and lectured.

Oct. 1, Wednesday. In a private house at Shoe Heel said Morning Prayer, preached, and baptized 5 children.

At night at the same place in the Presbyterian church, kindly placed at ourservice, I said Evening Prayer, and preached.

After service at a private house I confirmed 2 persons. Oct. 3, Friday. Gave my consent for the organization of a Mission at Aurora.

Oct. 5, Sunday, 17th after Trinity. At S. Mark's, Wilmington, assisted by Rev. C. O. Brady, said Morning Prayer and Litany, celebrated and preached.

In the afternoon, from a private house buried a member of S. James' parish.

Oct. 12, Sunday, 18th after Trinity. Assisted by Rev. W. H. Lewis, celebrated at S. James', Wilmington.

Later in the day at the same place said Morning Prayer and Litany, assisted by Rev. W. H. Lewis, who preached.

Same day, assisted by Rev. Mr. Lewis, said Evening Prayer in the same place, lectured, and baptized a child.

Oct. 13, Monday. Received notice of election of Rev. J. M. Hillyar to be Rector of S. Stephen's parish, Goldsboro, and on 14th received his letters dismissory from the Bishop of Massachusetts.

Oct. 19, Sunday, 19th after Trinity. At the house of Dr. John R. Hawes, in Pender county, administered the Communion to a sick person.

The same day at the same house said Morning Prayer, preached, and confirmed 1 person.

The same day at night at Point Caswell, in a school house said Evening Prayer and preached.

Oct. 23, Thursday. In S. Stephen's, Goldsboro, instituted Rev. James M. Hillyar Rector of S. Stephen's parish; preached, and assisted in the celebration of the Communion, being myself assisted in the Institution Service by Rev. Geo. Patterson, D. D. and Rev. E. N. Joyner.

Oct. 24, Friday. In the Court House at Snow Hill, assisted by Rev. Israel Harding, said Morning Prayer and Litany, preached and administered the Communion.

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At night in the same place, and assisted by Mr. Harding, said Evening Prayer, preached, and confirmed 3 persons.

After service met the principal persons of the congregation in consultation with reference to the erection of a church.

Oct. 26th, Sunday, 20th after Trinity. In S. Mary's, Kinston, catechized the children, and, assisted by Rev. Messrs. I. Harding and E. N. Joyner, said Morning Prayer and Litany, celebrated and preached.

The same day at night, assisted by Rev. Messrs. Harding and Joyner, said Evening Prayer, preached, and confirmed 2 persons.

Oct. 27, Monday. In the Church of the Holy Innocents, Lenoir county, assisted by Rev. Messrs. Harding and Joyner, said Morning Prayer, preached, and administered the Communion.

At night met the vestry of S. Mary's, Kinston.

Oct. 28, Tuesday, Fest. of S. Simon and S. Jude. In S. John's, Pitt county, assisted by Rev. I. Harding, said Morning Prayer, celebrated, preached and confirmed r person.

Afterwards, consecrated the burial ground adjoining S. John's.

After service met the vestry of the parish.

The same day in the afternoon at S. Michael's, in the same county, assisted by Rev. Mr. Harding, said Evening Prayer and preached.

Oct. 30, Thursday. Met the vestry of S. Paul's, Beaufort. Same day, in the afternoon catechized the children of the Sunday-school.

At night, assisted by Rev. E. M. Forbes, said Evening Prayer, preached, and confirmed 6 persons.

Licensed F. N. Skinner and C. E. Sadler as Lay Readers under direction of Rev. Mr. Forbes.

Oct. 31, Friday.. At S. Cyprian's Church for colored persons in New Berne, assisted by Rev. P. W. Cassey, said Evening Prayer and preached.

After Evening Prayer met the vestry of S. Cyprian's.

Nov. 1, Saturday, Festival of All Saints. In Christ Church, New Berne, assisted by Rev. Messrs. V. W. Shields and E. N. Joyner, said Morning Prayer, celebrated and preached. At night met the vestry of Christ Church parish.

Nov. 2, Sunday, 21st after Trinity. In Christ Church, New Berne, assisted by Rev. V. W. Shields, said Morning Prayer, celebrated, preached, and confirmed 2 persons.

In the afternoon catechized the children both at S. Cyprian's and at Christ Church.

Later in the afternoon, in Christ Church said Evening Prayer, assisted by Rev. Messrs. Shields and Joyner.

At night, at S. Cyprian's assisted by Rev. Messrs. Shields, Joyner and Cassey, said Evening Prayer, preached, and confirmed 16 persons.

Nov. 5, Wednesday. In S. John's, South Mills, Camden county, married a couple, after which said Evening Prayer, celebrated and preached.

Nov. 7, Friday. At. S. John's, Newbegun, assisted by Rev. Mr. Kiernan, said Morning Prayer and Litany, preached, and administered the Communion.

Nov. 8, Saturday. At S. Joseph's, Camden Court House, said Evening Prayer, preached, baptized an adult, and confirmed 2 persons.

This Church, built some years since by the exertions of Rev. Mr. Kiernan, seconded by several zealous ladies, has remained closed for two years until opened again by my service at this time. It is quite a pretty country Church in good condition. Since visiting it as above, Rev. Mr. Kiernan has

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given it monthly services, walking four miles from Elizabeth City to do so, and, I am told, sometimes wading.

Nov. 9, Sunday, 22d after Trinity. In Christ Church, Elizabeth City, catechized the children.

Same day, assisted by Rev. Mr. Kiernan, said Morning Prayer and Litany, preached, and administered the Communion.

Same day, assisted by the Rev. Mr. Kiernan, said Evening Prayer, preached, and confirmed 1 person.

Nov. 11, Tuesday. In Holy Trinity, Hertford, assisted by Rev. Mr. Stewart, said Morning Prayer, preached, and administered the Communion.

Same day, assisted by Rev. Mr. Stewart, said Evening Prayer and preached.

Nov. 12, Wednesday. In the Baptist Church kindly tendered at Woodville, Perquimans county, assisted by Rev. Mr. Stewart, said Morning Prayer and Litany, preached, and administered the Communion.

Nov. 13, Thursday. Met the vestry of Holy Trinity, Hertford.

Nov. 14, Friday. In S. Mary's, Gatesville, said Morning Prayer, preached, and administered the Communion.

Nov. 16, Sunday, 23d after Trinity. In S. Peter's, Gates county, said Prayer, preached, and administered the Communion.

At night, in S. Mary's, Gatesville, said Evening Prayer, preached, and confirmed 1 person.

Nov. 18, Tuesday. In S. John's, Winton, Hertford county, said Morning Prayer, preached, baptized an adult, confirmed 1 person, and administered the Communion.

Nov. 19, Wednesday. In S. Barnabas, Murfreesboro', said Morning Prayer and Litany, preached, and administered the Communion.

Same place, at night said Evening Prayer, preached, and confirmed 1 person.

Nov. 21, Friday. At Tunis Mills said Morning Prayer.

Nov. 22, Saturday. In charel of the Holy Innocents, Avoca, assisted by Rev. R. B. Drane, said Morning Prayer, preached, and administered the Communion.

Same day at Plymouth met the vestry of Grace Church.

Nov. 23d, Sunday, 24th after Trinity. In S. Luke's, Washington county, assisted by Rev. L. Eborn, said Morning Prayer and Litany, celebrated, preached, and confirmed 1 person.

After service met the vestry of S. Luke's.

Same day in the afternoon catechized the children of Grace Church parish, Plymouth.

Same day at night in Grace Church, assisted by Rev. Messrs. Eborn and Drane, said Evening Prayer, preached, and confirmed 1 person.

Nov. 24, Monday. In S. Paul's, Edenton, assisted by Rev. Messrs. Eborn and Drane, said Evening Prayer and preached. After service met the vestry of S. Paul's.

Nov. 25, Tuesday. At Rockahock School House, assisted by Rev. Messrs. Eborn and Drane, said Morning Prayer and preached.

Nov. 27, Thursday, Thanksgiving Day. In S. David's, Scuppernong, assisted by Rev. Mr. Eborn, said Prayer and preached.

Nov. 28, Friday. Took part in the opening services of the Edenton Convocation in S. David's, Scuppernong. Said Morning Prayer, assisted by Rev. Messrs Hilton, Eborn and Drane. Mr. Drane preached.

In the afternoon in the same place said Evening Prayer, assisted by Rev. Messrs. Hilton, Eborn, N. Harding and Drane. Mr. Harding preached.

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Nov. 29, Saturday. In the same place, assisted by Rev. Messrs. Hilton, Eborn and N. Harding, said Prayer. Mr. Hilton preached.

Nov. 30, Sunday, 1st in Advent. In S. David's, Scuppernong; assisted by Rev. Dr. Hughes and Rev. Messrs. Hilton, Eborn, N. Harding and Drane, after saying Morning Prayer and preaching, confirmed 3 persons, and ordained Hardy Hardison Phelps to the Diaconate and Rev. Nymphas Edgar Price to the Priesthood, the former being presented by the Rev. Dr. Hughes, and the latter by the Rev. N. Harding. Administered the Holy Communion.

After service met the vestry.

In the evening catechized the children of the colored Sunday-school.

Dec. 1, Monday. In S. Andrew's, Columbia, assisted by Rev. Mr. Eborn, said Morning Prayer, celebrated and preached.

Dec. 4, Thursday. In Grace Church, Woodville, said Morning and Evening Prayer, celebrated, preached, and catechized. Baptized 2 children and confirmed 1 person.

Dec. 5, Friday. In S. Mark's, Roxabel, said Morning Prayer and Litany, celebrated and preached.

Dec. 7, Sunday, 2d in Advent. In S. Thomas', Windsor, said Prayer morning and night, celebrated, catechized the children, and preached twice.

In the afternoon met the vestry.

Dec. 9, Tuesday. In Zion Church, Beaufort county, assisted by Rev. Messrs. N. Harding and R. B. Windley, said Morning Prayer, celebrated, preached, and confirmed 1 person.

After service met the vestry.

Commissioned Warren D. Peyton Lay Reader under Rev. N. Harding.

Dec. 10, Wednesday. In S. James', Beaufort county, said Prayer, celebrated, preached, and baptized a child.

After service met the vestry of S. James'.

At night, in the Baptist Church at Pantego said Evening Prayer and preached.

Dec. 11, Thursday. In S. John's, Makelyville, assisted by Rev. S. S. Barber, said Prayer, celebrated and preached.

Dec. 12, Friday. In the Court House at Swan Quarter, assisted by Rev. S. S. Barber, said Morning Prayer and Litany, celebrated and preached.

Dec. 13, Saturday. In School House at Juniper Bay, assisted by Rev. Mr. Barber, said Prayer, celebrated and preached.

Dec. 14, Sunday, 3d in Advent. In S. George's, Hyde county, assisted by Rev. S. S. Barber, said Prayer, celebrated and preached.

After service met the vestry of S. George's.

Dec. 15, Monday. In the Town Hall, Fairfield, assisted by Rev. Mr. Barber, said Evening Prayer and preached.

Dec. 16, Tuesday. At a private house in Fairfield baptized a child. At the same place celebrated the Holy Communion. The same day at a private house baptized 3 children.

Dec. 19, Friday. At Bonner's School House, Aurora, assisted by Rev. N. C. Hughes, Jr., said Prayer, celebrated, preached and confirmed 1 person.

Dec. 20, Saturday. At S. John's, Durham's Creek, assisted by Rev. N. C. Hughes, Jr., celebrated and preached.

Same day at a private house administered the Communion to a sick person.

Dec. 21, Sunday, 4th in Advent. In Trinity Church, Chocowinity, assisted by Rev. Dr. Hughes and Rev. H. H. Phelps, said Prayer, celebrated and preached.

After service met the vestry.

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Dec. 22, Monday. In S. Paul's, Greenville, assisted by Rev. Dr. Hughes, said Prayer, celebrated and preached.

Dec. 23, Tuesday. Received canonical notice of election of Rev. H. M. Jarvis as Rector of Grace Church parish, Bertie.

Dec. 24, Wednesday. In School-House, Vanceboro', assisted by Rev. Dr. Hughes, said Prayer and preached.

After service met the vestry.

Dec. 25, Thursday, Christmas. In S. Peter's, Washington, assisted by Rev. Dr. Hughes and Rev. Messrs. N. Harding and N. C. Hughes, Jr., said Prayer, celebrated and preached.

Dec. 26, Friday, Fest. S. Stephen. In School-House at Haw Branch, assisted by Rev. N. C. Hughes, Jr., said Prayer and preached.

At night met the vestry of S. Peter's, Washington.

Dec. 28, Sunday, 1st after Christmas. In S. Thomas', Bath, assisted by Rev. N. E. Price, said Morning Prayer and Litany, celebrated and preached.

After service met the vestry.

In the evening catechized the children.

At night in same place, assisted by Rev. Messrs. Windley and Price, said Prayer and preached.

Dec. 30, Tuesday. In School-House, Jamesville, Martin county, assisted by Rev. Messrs. N. Harding and T. B. Haughton, said Prayer, celebrated and preached.

At night in Church of the Advent, Williamston, assisted by Rev. T. B. Haughton, said Prayer, preached, and confirmed I person.

Dec. 31, Wednesday. Met the vestry of Church of the Advent.

1885.—January 1, Thursday, Fest. Circumcision. In S. Martin's, Hamilton, said Prayer, celebrated and preached.

At night same place said Prayer and preached.

Jan. 3, Saturday. At Goldsboro met the vestry of S. Stephen's.

Jan. 4, Sunday, 2d after Christmas. In S. Stephen's, Goldsboro, assisted by Rev. J. M. Hillyar, said Prayer, celebrated and preached.

In the afternoon catechized the children.

At night, assisted by Rev. Mr. Hillyar, said Prayer and reached.

It is with great pleasure that I have welcomed Rev. Mr. Hillyar to the charge of S. Stephen's. This parish—so long without regular services—has started with new life. God grant that it may be but the beginning of a long and vigorous career. It adds to my satisfaction to be able to say that Mr. Hillyar, with the full co-operation of his own parish, has also taken charge of the Mission at Faison.

Jan. 6, Tuesday, Fest. of the Epiphany. At. S. Gabriel's, Faison, assisted by Rev. Mr. Hillyar, said Prayer, celebrated and preached.

Jan. 7, Wednesday. At. S. Paul's, Clinton, said Prayer, celebrated and preached.

In the afternoon met the vestry.

At night in S. Paul's said Prayer and preached.

Jan. 10, Saturday. Received and accepted letters dismissory in behalf of Rev. Herbert Munson Jarvis from the Bishop of Virginia.

Jan. 11, Sunday, 1st after Epiphany. In S. James', Wilmington, assisted by Rev. J. E. C. Smedes, D. D., celebrated at the early service.

Afterward, in same place, assisted by Rev. Dr. Smedes, said Prayer, Dr. Smedes preaching.

In the afternoon at same place said Prayer and lectured.

At night, at S. Mark's, Wilmington, said Prayer, assisted

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by Rev. Dr. Smedes and Rev. C. O. Brady. Dr. Smedes preached.

About this time received the canonical notice of the election of Rev. W. H. Lewis to the parish of S. James', Wilmington.

Jan. 18, Sunday, 2d after Epiphany. In S. James', Wilmington, assisted by Rev. W. H. Lewis, celebrated at the early service.

Same day and place, assisted by Rev. Messrs. J. E. C. Smedes, D. D. and W. H. Lewis, said Prayer, Rev. Mr. Lewis preaching.

Same day at S. James' Home, assisted by Rev. W. H. Lewis, said Evening Prayer, Rev. Mr. Lewis preaching.

Same day at night, in S. John's, Wilmington, assisted by Rev. Messrs. Carmichael, D. D., J. E. C. Smeders, D. D., and W. H. Lewis, said Prayer, Mr. Lewis preaching.

Jan. 19, Monday. Received and accepted from the Bishop of Pittsburg letters dismissory in favor of Rev. W. H. Lewis, who takes charge of S. James', Wilmington, as Rector.

It is again with great pleasure that I record this addition to the corps of our active ministry. The forward impulse already so sensibly felt gives assurance that S. James will prosper under the management of its new Rector.

Jan. 20, Tuesday. Took part in a funeral service in S. Paul's parish, Wilmington.

Jan. 25, Sunday, 3d after Epiphany. In S. John's, Fayetteville, assisted by Rev. Dr. Huske, said Prayer, celebrated and preached.

Same day and place, assisted by Rev. Dr. Huske, said Evening Prayer and catechized the children.

Same day catechized the children of the colored congregation of S. Joseph's.

At night in S. Joseph's, assisted by Rev. H. S. McDuffey, said Prayer, preached and confirmed 4 persons.

Jan. 26, Monday. Met the vestry of S. John's, Fayetteville. Jan. 28, Wednesday. In Shoe Heel at a private house baptized a child.

At night, in a private hall, said Prayer and preached.

Jan. 29, Thursday. At a private house in the same place baptized an adult.

I have hope that before very long a Mission may be organized and a Church built at this place.

Jan. 30, Friday. At a private house in Fayetteville confirmed a sick person presented by Rev. Dr. Huske.

Same day at night at S. Joseph's, assisted by Rev. H. S. McDuffey, said Prayer and addressed the congregation.

After service met the vestry of S. Joseph's.

Feb. 1, Septuagesima. In Christ Church, Rockfish, said Prayer, celebrated, preached, and confirmed 1 person.

This parish, so long the field of two of our most faithful and learned Priests, Rev. Messrs. Benton, father and son, has now for several years been without regular ministerial services. Rev. Dr. Huske has given it such services as he could render, and so far as a Lay Reader can supply the place of an ordained Minister, this has been done by Mr. T. C. Oakman, who, with his wife, has labored for the spiritual good of a congregation chiefly made up of persons connected with the Hope Mills at this place. The size of the congregation and the tenacity with which it has held together testify to the fidelity of its former Pastors, as well as to that of its present Lay Reader. It is to be hoped that this interesting parish may not remain much longer without an ordained spiritual guide.

The same day at night, assisted by Rev. Dr. Huske, said Prayer in S. John's, Fayetteville, and preached.

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During the rest of the month of February I was too much indisposed to officiate.

Mar. 1, Sunday, 2d in Lent. In S. Paul's, Wilmington, having requested the Rector to attend to some mission work out of the city, I said Prayer and preached.

Mar. 4, Wednesday. In S. John's, Wilmington, said Prayer.

Mar. 8, Sunday, 3d in Lent. In S. John's, Wilmington, said Prayer, assisted by Rev. Dr, Carmichael, who preached.

Mar. 12, Thursday. Took part in a funeral service in S. James' parish.

Mar. 14, Saturday. Took part in another funeral service in S. James' parish.

Mar. 15, Sunday, 4th in Lent. In S. Mark's, Wilmington. assisted by Rev. C. O. Brady, said Prayer, celebrated and preached.

Mar. 22, Sunday, 5th in Lent. In S. James', Wilmington, took part in the services.

Mar. 29, Palm Sunday. In S. Paul's, Wilmington, the Rector being absent on Missionary duty, I said Prayer and preached both morning and afternoon.

Mar. 30, Monday. In S. Paul's, Wilmington, said Morning Prayer and addressed the congregation.

Same day in S. Paul's said Evening Prayer.

Same day at night in S. James', Wilmington, took part in the service and preached.

Mar. 31, Tuesday. In S. Paul's, took part in the service. Apr. 1, Wednesday. In S. James' took part in the service. At night met the vestry of S. John's.

Apr. 2, Thursday, in Holy Weck. At S. Mark's, assisted by Rev. C. O. Brady, celebrated at night and preached.

Apr. 3, Good Friday. At S. John's, Wilmington, took part in the service and preached.

At Evening Prayer in S. James' took part in the service. Apr. 4, Easter Even. At S. James' took part in the service. Apr. 5, Easter. At Morning Prayer in S. James' took part in the service.

At the midday service in S. James' said Prayer and celebrated, assisted by the Rector.

In the afternoon at S. James' took part in the childrens' Festival service, and catechized and addressed the children.

At night in S. James', assisted by the Rector, said Prayer, preached, and confirmed 22 persons.

Apr. 6, Monday. At a private house in S. James' parish confirmed 2 persons presented by Rev. Mr. Lewis.

Apr. 8, Wednesday. In S. Martin's, Hamilton, assisted by Rev. H. G. Hilton, said Evening Prayer and preached.

Apr. 9, Thursday. Same place, assisted by Rev. Mr. Hilton, said Prayer, celebrated and preached.

Same day at night in Church of the Advent, Williamston, assisted by Rev. Thomas B. Haughton, said Prayer and preached.

Apr. 10, Friday. Licensed Edmund Alexander a Lay Reader under Rev. Mr. Eborn.

Apr. 12, Sunday, 1st after Easter. In Grace Church, Woodville, assisted by Rev. L. Eborn, said Prayer, preached, and Instituted Rev. H. M. Jarvis as Rector of Grace Church.

Assisted the newly instituted Rector in the Communion service, and confirmed 4 persons presented by him.

After service met the vestry.

In the afternoon in same Church, assisted by Rev. Messrs. Eborn and Jarvis, said Prayer, and catechized the children.

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Mr. Jarvis has been at his post since Christmas, and has won the respect and affection of his people.

I am thankful to God that there is a prospect that Grace Church parish may resume its beneficent influence in this part of Bertie county.

Apr. 13, Monday. In S. Mark's, Roxabel, assisted by Messrs. Eborn and Jarvis, said Prayer, celebrated and preached.

Appointed as Lay Readers, under Rev. I Harding, Kinston, Messrs. W. E. Newborne and G. A. Grimsley.

Apr. 14, Tuesday. In S. Thomas', Windsor, said Prayer, assisted by Rev. Mr. Eborn, who preached.

After service met the vestry.

Ap. 15, Wednesday. In S. Thomas', Windsor, assisted by Rev. L. Eborn, said Prayer, celebrated, preached, and confirmed I person.

In the afternoon catechized the children.

At night, assisted by Rev. Mr. Eborn, said Prayer and preached.

Apr. 16, Thursday. In Grace Church, Plymouth, assisted by Rev. Messrs. L. Eborn and E. R. Sweetland, said Prayer. Mr. Sweetland preached.

At night, assisted by Rev. Messrs. Drane and Sweetland, said Prayer, preached, and confirmed 3 persons presented by Rev. Mr. Drane.

After service met the vestry.

Apr. 17, Friday. At Elizabeth City met the vestry of Christ Church.

Apr. 18, Saturday. At S. Joseph's, Camden Court House, said Evening Prayer and preached.

Ap. 19, Sunday, 2d after Easter. In Church of S. John Evangelist, South Mills, assisted by Rev. E. C. Burr, said

Morning Prayer, baptized an adult, catechized the children, celebrated, preached, and confirmed 3 persons.

At night, assisted by Rev. E. C. Burr, said Prayer and preached.

Apr. 21, Tuesday. In Christ Church, Elizabeth City, assisted by Rev. Mr. Kiernan, said Prayer and preached.

At night, assisted by Mr. Kiernan, said Prayer and preached.

Apr. 22, Wednesday. At S. John's, Newbegun, assisted by Rev. Mr. Kiernan, said Morning Prayer, celebrated and preached.

Apr. 23, Thursday. At Woodville, Perquimans county, said Prayer and preached in the Baptist Church, kindly put at our disposal.

Our own Church edifice, S. Barnabas, once in the midst of an important part of its congregation, is now, in consequence of removals of the people, nearly two miles out of the way, and has fallen seriously into decay.

The congregation have purchased a desirable lot in town, upon which they hope, at no distant day, to put up a new Church.

Apr. 24, Friday. At Sutton's Creek School House said Prayer, celebrated, and preached.

Apr. 26, Sunday, 3d after Easter. At Holy Trinity, Hertford, in the morning catechized the children, said Prayer, celebrated, preached, baptized 2 children, and certified the Baptism of another.

In the afternoon I met the members of the Church and addressed them.

At night said Prayer, preached, baptized I child, and confirmed I person.

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Apr. 27, Monday. Licensed Dr. J. T. Smith and F. Picard as Lay Readers.

At night at Edenton met the vestry of S. Paul's.

Apr. 28, Tuesday. In School House at Rockahock, assisted by Rev. R. B. Drane, said Prayer and preached.

At night in S. Paul's, Edenton, assisted by Rev. R. B. Drane, said Prayer, preached, and confirmed 7 persons.

Apr. 29, Wednesday. In S. Paul's, Edenton, assisted by Rev. Mr. Drane, said Prayer, celebrated and preached.

Apr. 30, Thursday. In S. Luke's, Washington county, assisted by Rev. Messrs. Eborn and Sweetland, said Prayer, celebrated, preached, and confirmed 2 persons.

May 3, Sunday, 4th after Easter. In S. James, Wilmington, took part in the service and celebrated.

At night at S. Paul's, Wilmington, assisted by Rev. Messrs. Ambler and Lewis, said Prayer, preached, and confirmed 5 persons.

May 4, Monday. At a private house in Wilmington confirmed a sick colored person belonging to S. Mark's parish.

Same day at a private house in same city confirmed a sick white person belonging to S. James' parish.

May 6, Wednesday. Met the vestry of S. Mark's, Wilmington.

May 7, Thursday. Licensed as Lay Readers, under Rev. L. Eborn, Messrs. C. L. Pettigrew and F. N. Skinner.

May 10, Sunday, 5th after Easter. In S. John's parish, Wilmington, assisted by Rev. Dr. Carmichael, said Prayer, preached, and confirmed 6 persons, one of them being from S. James' parish.

Same day in the afternoon, at S. Mark's Church, assisted by Rev. C. O. Brady, officiated, preached, and confirmed 5 persons.

From the foregoing record of my official acts during the past conventional year, it will appear that I have baptized 36 infants and 9 adults; have confirmed 214 persons; have instituted 2 Rectors, and ordained 2 Ministers, one to the Diaconate and one to the Priesthood; have been able, in accordance with the expressed wish of the Diocese, to meet with the vestries of the several parishes on 50 occasions; have celebrated the Lord's Supper more than 100 times, often at stations where the opportunity to communicate has for some years been only occasional; and have been able to assemble the congregations of the Diocese for public worship or to unite with them in worship on considerably more than 200 occasions, in most of which I have had the opportunity to speak to them concerning the life to come.

I have married two couples; and buried 2 persons; and taken part in 3 other funeral services. I have consecrated 1 burial ground, and have been able on 33 occasions to catechize and address the children of the parishes or congregations.

I have transferred, by letters dismissory, Rev. Armand DeR. Meares to the Diocese of Indiana, and have received in the same way Rev. James M. Hillyar from the Diocese of Massachusetts, Rev. Herbert Munson Jarvis from the Diocese of Virginia, Rev. William H. Lewis from the Diocese of Pittsburg, and Rev. E. R. Sweetland from the Diocese of Wisconsin. Rev. Mr. Hillyar has taken the work at Goldsboro and Faison; Rev. Mr. Jarvis that at Grace Church and Roxobel, Bertie; and Rev. Mr. Lewis, that of S. James' parish, Wilmington. Rev. E. R. Sweetland has been called to the charge of Grace Church, Plymouth, S. Thomas', Windsor, and the Mission at Avoca, and is on the spot.

S. Luke's, Washington county, has come under the pas-

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toral charge of Rev. Mr. Eborn; Bath, under that of Rev. Mr. Price, while the Rev. Mr. Kiernan has undertaken a monthly service at S. Joseph's, at Camden Court House.

Upon taking charge of the Diocese, I found much in its condition to cause anxiety, owing to the removal of clergy, largely, I fear, because of want of adequate support. I found 14 parishes and 6 missionary stations, all of them with good Church edifices, but without pastors. In addition to these, Holy Trinity, Hertford, has become vacant by the removal of Rev. Mr. Stewart, temporarily resident there, The additions to our clergy, to which I have referred, and the enlargement of the work of some already on the spot, have, by the goodness of God, reduced these vacancies to 8 parishes and 2 mission stations,—with all these substractions, a sad remainder.

This state of pastoral destitution has made more evidently opportune the division of the Diocese, since thereby the Bishop has been enabled, in some measure, by his own visitations to supply the deficiency of clerical service. The reduced extent of the Diocesan field has enabled me to visit many of the parishes and stations twice, and a number of them three times, during the year.

But, I am persuaded, the great difficulty is in the want of adequate support. Married clergy with growing families and children requiring education cannot live upon the income received, and are obliged to remove to other Dioceses. One of the clergy with a family; who serves 3 stations regularly, receives from them all, I have been told, \$125 per annum. Another, of whom I made the enquiry some time since, as to how much he had received in the previous 8 months, replied, \$35.

It is true, in both of these cases the local income is supplemented by appropriations from the Diocesan Missionary

Fund. But so far we have never been able since the war to give more than \$100 to any one. It is also true that, in some cases, the payments may be only behindhand, and larger amounts may be hoped for. But the delay is itself a cruel injustice when it can be helped. It is urged in excuse that the times are hard, and that, in a Diocese so largely made up of farmers, the succession of bad crops for the last two or three years has made it impossible to do what in ordinarily good times might be done. This is true, and does in a measure account for the neglect, yet I fear it is also true that, in many cases, those who plead poverty to their ministers find ample means for their own comfort and for that of their families. Be sure, my brethren, that God will take note of all this matter. On the last day you may find it a more serious item in your accounts with Him than you now suspect. On the other hand, I am glad to say that the contributions to the Diocesan Missionary Fund have this year compared favorably with those of previous years. But we can scarcely be said to have made any valuable progress in that direction until able to appropriate, as we used to do, at least \$200 per annum to every Missionary with a family.

But our work is far from complete so long as we are only sustaining Missions already in existence. Our lines should be continually advancing, until all the field comes into our possession. There are several whole counties within our limits into which the banners of the Church have never been advanced. While the first advances into such districts may belong specially to the responsibility of the Bishop, yet his visits will be but little more than mere reconnoissance, unless he can leave a properly officered garrison behind him.

But while I plead for our own more immediate family, I would ask you not to forget the work of our Master elsewhere. It is as possible for a parish to be selfish or for a Diocese to be

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selfish as to be selfish individually: and selfishness in none of its forms can prepare us for true nobility, for perfection or for Heaven.

The general Committees of Domestic and Foreign Missions are calling for help to enable them to avoid a heavy deficit. According to the ability which God may give us, we should be ready to work also outside of our own limits. The regiment that should think of itself alone, and care nothing for its Brigade or its Division or its army Corps, or the brigade which should ignore the Division to which it belongs, or its Corps, would be but poor elements in an army. Our Chief Captain does not command our individual parishes alone or separately, nor only our own Diocese, but leads the army of the Holy Catholic Church; and all parts of the Force should respond to His call all over the field

To raise the amount needed by the Domestic Missionary work, it has been proposed to assess the Diocese, not, of course, compulsorily, but by solicitation. Three hundred (\$300) dollars has been suggested as the share of East Carolina. I have not thought it best to take any active steps in the matter, and in reply to the suggestion have only said that I would rejoice if East Carolina should be willing to give it.

Here let me suggest to those who are in the habit of contributing to General Missions, that they make sure that their remittances are credited to East Carolina. I have observed that, in several instances, since the separation of the two Dioceses, the remittances from this side of the line have been acknowledged in the "Spirit of Missions" under the head of North Carolina.

Many of you have received copies of a circular which I issued in behalf of the University of the South at Sewanee. My visit there last summer in attendance upon the meeting

of the Board of Trustees impressed me very deeply with the moral and spiritual, as well as intellectual value of that Institution. I was exceedingly pleased with the tone of character manifested by both Professors and students. On the part of the Professors it was cordial and paternal; on the part of the students it was candid, open, self-respectful, yet respectful of others. There was a remarkable absence of all that reserve suggestive of contrary interests which so often comes in between Professor and Student. The situation of the University is beautiful and healthful. The size of the domain and the character of the act of incorporation keep outside the door many of the ordinary temptations of college life: and I was assured by those who had the opportunity of judging that the standard of literary excellence, as manifested in the examinations, was fully up to that of the best collegiate institutions.

The literary department is taking care of itself but the Theological department needs help, and must be sustained by the Dioceses in whose interest it is specially conducted.

The portion of the burden assigned to this Diocese does not seem large (\$300), and I hope that we shall be able to carry it. I would recommend that the Trustees of the University belonging to this Diocese be directed to report annually to the convention. This should be provided for by Canon or by a rule of order.

There is another Institution which appeals to our sympathy and support and to our sense of justice. I mean the Society for the Increase of the Ministry. For every hundred dollars that we have contributed, this Society has given us more than two hundred. At present the Society is carrying one of our young men through his studies preparatory to college, and allowing him \$200 per annum, expecting, moreover, to take him through college with a continued allowance, and then to

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give him a Theological training. It is an Institution which deserves well of us, and to which, indeed, we are deeply indebted; one which I hope you will feel able and willing to sustain.

It would not be just for me to omit mention of the generous way in which my old parish of S. James has dealt with me as your Bishop. At the time of my consecration it placed several hundred dollars in my hands for use throughout the Diocese. This was not done ostentatiously. I question whether it would have been generally known, except as mentioned by me. But I suppose the Diocese, out of self-regard, will be glad to know what one of its members has done out of love to the whole body. In addition to this the parish of S. James has supplied during the past year the Episcopal residence, going to the expense of providing another house for its Rector. This, too, I think the Diocese ought to know. Probably, you are all aware that, in consequence of the nonresidence of Bishop Lyman in the house provided for the former Bishop, the property lapsed to the several parishes in the city of Wilmington. As a consequence, there is now no Episcopal residence. The Diocese, however, owns an undivided fourth of the old house, conveyed to it by the parish of S. James; and it is a question which should be considered, whether the Diocese desires to have a Bishop's house, and, if it does, whether it is prepared to purchase the other three undivided fourths, so far as they may be for sale. matter about which I do not, at present at least, express any opinion, but which I suppose should be brought to the attention of the Convention.

There is another matter which I wish to bring to the notice of the Convention.

In or about the year 1823 the Diocese of North Carolina

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founded a scholarship in the General Theological Seminary at New York. This scholarship, with an income of about \$150, in addition to the privileges of the Institution, has been held ever since, greatly to the advantage of the old Diocese. It is, in the minds of many,—and among them in those of the Trustees of this Diocese—a question whether under the resolution adopted in 1883 this Scholarship should not now be the joint property of the two Dioceses, instead of remaining exclusively under the control of that of North Carolina. While it would be impossible, perhaps, to divide the scholarship, the nomination to it—should it prove to be a part of the divisible property of the old Diocese—might be made alternately.

Since the last Convention I have given my consent to the organization of the Mission at Aurora, Beaufort county, of date August 24, 1884. Also, to that of Snow Hill, Greene county, of date October 3, 1884.

I have given my consent to the consecration of Rev. Samuel D. Ferguson to be Missionary Bishop of Cape Palmas; of Rev. William Jones Boone to be Missionary Bishop of Shanghai; of Rev. Nelson S. Rulison, D. D., to be Assistant Bishop of the Diocese of Central Pennsylvania; of Rev. William Paret, D. D., to be Bishop of the Diocese of Maryland, and of Rev. George Worthington, S. T. D., to be Bishop of the Diocese of Nebraska.

We have now upon our list of clergy, besides the Bishop, 18 Priests and 9 Deacons, candidates for Deacon's orders 1, 6 candidates for Priest's orders, Rev. S. S. Barber, Rev. P. W. Cassey, Rev. C. O. Brady, Rev. H. S. McDuffey, Rev. H. H. Phelps, F. N. Skinner. Chaplains as before.

Let us thank God for what he has done for us already and seek His further blessings by faithful service, by contribu1885.7

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tions of our means to His great cause on Earth and especially in our division of the field—which shall be in honorable proportions to our means and to His Majesty, and by humble, earnest, loving waiting upon Him endeavoring to realize that without Him we can accomplish nothing. The Past is gone past mending. The Future is ours. Let us seek an accelerated progress nor be content while there remains any portion of the domain committed to our hands in which the services of our Church shall not be established. To God and to His grace I commit you dear brethren of the Clergy and Laity through Christ our Lord.

ALFRED A. WATSON.



APPENDIX A=II.

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ST. JOHN'S PARISH, MAKELEYVILLE,

The REV. S. S. BARBER, Deacon officiating.

Services have been kept up in this Parish regularly, as heretofore, on the second and fourth Sundays in each month except when interrupted by sickness. Also for the most part at Swan Quarter and Juniper Bay on the first and third Sundays respectively in each month.

At the request of the Bishop, and also of the vestry of the parish, I took charge of St. George's parish on the third Sunday in February, continuing on until the arrival of the Rev. E. R. Sweetland, late of Nashotah, Wisconsin, at Easter Sunday, at which time my connection with that work ceased. In this church I held 4 services, assisted by Rev. Mr. Sweetland on Easter, and officiated at 2 funerals during my two months charge at St. George's. I found it necessary to suspend the services at Swan Quarter and Juniper Bay. They have, however, been resumed.

The outlook in this county at present is not so flattering for the Church as could be desired.

ST. MARK'S CHURCH, WILMINGTON,

REV. C. O. BRADY, Deacon officiating.

Since my last report the work of St. Mark's parish has progressed steadily and, I trust, acceptably to the Great Head of the Church.

We are somewhat in arrears, owing to stuccoing our church, but we trust by united effort soon to cancel the debt.

May our Heavenly Father further this special work among the colored people.

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ST. JOHN THE EVANGELIST CHURCH, SOUTH MILLS,

The REV. E. CHRYSOSTUM BURR, Rector.

This report is from September 14th, 1883, to April 26th, 1885, and is, to the best of my knowledge and belief, substantially correct.

The figures for Public Services marked "Other Days" are from January 9th, 1885, to April 24th, 1885.

In the whole time reported there was an intermission from August 11th, 1884, to January 9th, 1885.

ST. CYPRIAN'S CHURCH, NEW BERNE,

The REV. V. W. SHIELDS, Rector; REV. P. W. CASSEY, Assistant.

The aggregate four hundred and seventy dollars and fifteen cents includes all money raised for this parish from any source. Ninety dollars was sent as a special donation from the Ladies' Auxilliary of Philadelphia; twenty dollars sent Bishop Watson from the Rector of Grace Church, New York; also money collected by Assistant in Buffalo, Philadelphia, &c. Under the head Miscellaneous is included all money expended for parish school, church improvement, cancelling church indebtedness, &c.

There is still an indebtedness of about three hundred dollars on the parish. The past year has not been a favorable one for works of charity, but the vestry hope this year to complete the church and pay its indebtedness.

ST. PAUL'S CHURCH, EDENTON,

THE REV. ROBERT BRENT DRANE, Rector.

Service is rendered one a month at a school house in Rockahock.

ST. JOHN THE EVANGELIST'S MISSION CHURCH, EDENTON,

The REV. ROBERT BRENT DRANE, Minister in Charge.

Our church building was demolished by a violent storm of July 26th, 1884—a total loss probably. The congregation have begun efforts to rebuild. Up to the present time the treasurer of the building fund has received from St. John's congregation \$66 95, from friends outside \$124 47, promises to pay from both sources \$123.

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ST. DAVID'S CHURCH, WASHINGTON COUNTY,

The REV. LUTHER EBORN, Rector.

One of the Sunday schools is colored, consisting of 30 pupils. The Parochial school is in a prosperous condition and doing good service under the immediate and efficient charge of Mrs. M. B. Webb.

Our church has been thoroughly repaired and well painted within and without.

ST. LUKE'S CHURCH, WASHINGTON COUNTY.

The REV. LUTHER EBORN, Rector.

This report extends from October 1884, when I resumed charge of the Parish.

The present outlook of the Church here is encouraging.

ST. ANDREW'S MISSION, TYRRELL COUNTY,

The REV. LUTHER EBORN, Rector.

In addition to the foregoing report, I have to report the baptism of two infants in St. James' Parish, Beaufort county.

ST. JOHN'S CHURCH, PITT COUNTY,

The REV. ISRAEL HARDING, Rector.

This Parish has lost its Senior Warden, Mr. W. H. Smith, by death, since the last Convention.

ST. MARY'S CHURCH, KINSTON.

The REV. ISRAEL HARDING, Rector.

This Parish is in as wholesome a condition as one half of my time can make it.

Before the incumbency of the Parish in Goldsboro by the Rev. J. M. Hillyar, I officiated five times in St. Stephen's Church, baptized two infants and performed one funeral service.

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I have officiated at two visits to Trenton, and there is a good prospect of building a church there.

HOLY INNOCENTS CHURCH, LENOIR COUNTY,

The Rev. Israel, Harding, Rector.

This Parish, from the indisposition of the Minister, the unfinished state of the Church building, and the inclement weather of the winter, has had but little attention during the year, which accounts for its meagre report.

ST. PAUL'S CHURCH, GREENVILLE,

The REV. N. COLLIN HUGHES, D. D., Rector.

Considerable addition has been made to the subscription for a new church, and it is hoped that the work of erecting it will soon be entered upon in earnest.

AURORA MISSION, BEAUFORT COUNTY.

The Rev. N. C. Hughes, Jr., Deacon officiating.

By comparison of this report with the one given for Aurora Mission last year, it would seem that there has been a falling off both in the number of families and of souls. This is not the case; on the contrary, the Mission is in as healthy condition as it ever has been. I suppose the discrepency has arisen from the fact that I reported some last year as nominal members of the church whom I have since ascertained had never been baptized.

In April last, I made a visit from this Mission to Bayboro and preached at night to a large congregation. It is my intention hereafter to hold services at the latter place once every three months, a friend at Aurora having kindly offered to be responsible for my transportation.

I ascertained that there were in all only seven members of the Church in Pamlico county.

HAW BRANCH MISSION AND ST. PAUL'S, VANCEBORO,

REV. N. C. HUGHES, JR., Deacon officiating.

On the 9th inst I held a night service at Juniper Chapel, situated on the west side of Swift Creek, about three miles from Vanceboro. At the request

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of a member of St. Paul's Parish, who is himself trying to do some religious work at Juniper Chapel, I have consented to hold services there once every two months.

ST. JOHN'S CHURCH, FAYETTEVILLE.

REV. JOSEPH C. HUSKE, D. D., Rector.

During the past summer and fall, my labors were much interrupted by ill health. In consequence of this my vestry, with their usual kind consideration, authorized me to invite Rev. Robert Strange to assist me for a year, with the hope that thereby my health would be improved. He has accepted the invitation and will begin his work in St. John's Parish in June next. He spent the greater part of the season of Lent in my Parish and rendered services very useful to me and acceptable to the congregation.

I am much disappointed in not being able to report the usual number of confirmations. It is the first time, since my connection with this Parish, now thirty-four years, that I have not reported a respectable number of confirmations. Three or four candidates, for causes not worth while to be detailed in this report, failed to receive confirmation at the last visitation of the Bishop, which was within nine months of the preceding one, when sixteen were confirmed.

I trust under the more vigorous administration, which is hoped for with the aid of an assistant, the Parish will improve in this as well as in other respects.

The congregation is making an effort, with good hopes of success, to obtain a new organ.

ST. JAMES' CHURCH, WILMINGTON,

The REV. WM. H. LEWIS, Rector.

A Mission Guild has been formed, with 140 members, making monthly pledges, which already aggregate nearly \$1,200 per annum for general missionary purposes.

Plans are in hand for an immediate extension of the chancel and enlargement of the Church, subscriptions to which have already been received to the amount of about \$3,600 in cash.

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ST. JOHN'S CHURCH, BEAUFORT COUNTY.

The REV. HARDY H. PHELPS, Deacon officiating

The Rev. N. C. Hughes, Jr., officiated in this Parish until February of the present year. The marriage ceremonies were performed by him. Of the public services eight were held by the Lay Reader, Mr. Joseph Butt.

CHRIST CHURCH, NEW BERNE,

The REV. V. W. SHIELDS, Rector.

The outside of the church has been finished during the past year, and in addition to the former structure, a spire and porch have been builded.

The funds for these purposes have, for the most part, been given by generous friends of the Parish.

St. Cyprian's Parish, owing to the faithful work of Rev. P. W. Cassey, continues to grow in usefulness to the large population of colored people in this community.

ZION CHURCH, BEAUFORT COUNTY.

The REV. R. B. WINDLEY, Rector.

In addition to the above I have held an occasional service at Union Chapel, a missionary point where the Rev. N. E. Price now has charge; an occasional service also at some other points in the lower part of this county.

No reports were received from the following Parishes and *Mission Stations*, viz: *Holy Innocents*, Avoca; St. James, Beaufort county; Grace Church, Bertie county; St. Paul's Church, Clinton; St Mary's Church, Gatesville; *St Peter's*, Gates county; St. George's, Hyde county; *St. Barnabas'*, Murfreesboro; Christ Church, Rockfish; St. John's Church, Winton.

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REPORT OF THE DEAN OF THE CONVOCATION OF EDENTON.

To the Rt. Rev. Alfred A. Watson, D. D., Bishop of East Carolina:

During the past year the Convocation of Edenton has held three regular sessions—one in June, at Williamston; in August, in St. Luke's, Washington county; in November, in St. David's parish, Washington county. A fourth session was appointed at Windsor, Bertie county, for the latter part of March. Owing to the breaking out of a contagious disease in that place, just before the time of meeting, the appointment for that place was withdrawn. The sessions of the Convocation were fairly attended by its members. In all cases considerable interest was manifested and goodly congregations assembled. At two of our sessions we enjoyed the great gratification of having the presence and counsel of the Bishop. The Convocation has ever manifested a ready disposition to join in co-operative labor. It contiunes to be a source of deep regret to us that we have not yet been enabled to secure the services of an evangelist. We trust, however, that in His good time the Master will raise up and send forth a suitable laborer in our widely extended mission field.

N. COLLIN HUGHES, Dean.

REPORT OF THE DEAN OF THE CONVOCATION OF NEW BERNE.

To the Rt. Rev. Alfred A. Watson, D. D., Bishop of East Carolina:

The Convocation of New Berne held its first meeting, after the last Convention, at Snow Hill, in June last. The meetings were attended by good congregations during the sessions of the Convocation, and we believe the services there resulted in some good to the Church people of the town. The work there seems to be in an encouraging condition, mostly owing to the labors of Rev. Israel Harding. The second meeting was held in Kinston in

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December last, but on account of the excessive cold, which prevented the congregation from attending the services, little good, it is feared, was accomplished. Still another appointment for a meeting of the Convocation at Faison's during the month of April was necessarily recalled.

We do not feel that the organization of the Convocation has, thus far, resulted in any good of a permanent character to the Church within its bounds, but we hope during the present year to increase its usefulness.

Respectfully submitted,

V. W. SHIELDS, Dean.

APPENDIX A-III.

Constitution and Canons.



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As Adopted, for the First Time, by the Convention.

ARTICLE I.

This Diocese as established by the Sixty-seventh Convention of the Diocese of North Carolina, in May, 1883, at Charlotte, embracing all that portion of the territory of the State of North Carolina which includes the counties of Hertford, Bertie, Martin, Pitt, Greene, Wayne, Sampson, Cumberland and Robeson, and all the counties lying between these counties and the Atlantic Ocean, shall be known as the Diocese of East Carolina.

ARTICLE II.

The Church in this Diocese accedes to the Constitution of that branch of the Holy Catholic Church known as the Protestant Episcopal Church in the United States of America, and recognizes the authority of the General Convention thereof.

ARTICLE III.

SECTION I. For the purpose of receiving reports and other information as to the condition and progress of the Church in this Diocese, and of consulting upon such measures, and enacting such laws as may seem good for its welfare and government, there shall be an Annual Council to meet within the Diocese at such time and place as may be determined by

the next preceding Council, or, in the event of no such determination, on the third Wednesday in May, at such place as may be agreed upon by the Bishop and Standing Committee, or appointed by the Standing Committee in case of the disability of the Bishop, or a vacancy in his office.

Section 2. But the time or place of such meeting may be changed, or Special Councils may be called by the Bishop and Standing Committee, or by the Standing Committee in case of disability or vacancy as provided in the preceding section, subject, nevertheless, to such Canonical provisions as may hereafter be made; *provided*, that no Special Council shall be called without at least sixty days' notice, which notice shall be published for at least one month in three different newspapers in this Diocese, and shall specify the business and purpose for which said Special Council is to be held; and no other business shall be proposed or acted upon except by a vote of two-thirds of both Orders.

ARTICLE IV.

SECTION I. The Council shall be composed of the two Orders—Clerical and Lay. The Bishop of the Diocese, or in his absence the Bishop in charge as representing the Episcopal Authority, shall, if present, preside at all meetings of the Council.

Section 2. Every Clergyman of the Church, having been Canonically connected with and resident within the Diocese for *three* months preceding any meeting of the Council, including such portion of the time as he may have been a candidate for Orders, shall be entitled to a seat and vote in the Council, except in the election of a Bishop, in which case such connection and residence must have been for *twelve* months to entitle him to a vote; *provided*, that the restriction

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as above in regard to residence shall not apply to professors, tutors or students in the General Theological Seminary, or in any University or College maintained or governed in part by this Diocese, or to officers of the General Missionary Board of the Church, or to Chaplains in the Army or Navy.

Section 3. Each regularly organized Parish within the Diocese shall be entitled to be represented by one or more Lay Delegates, not exceeding *four*, chosen by the vestry from the male communicants of the parish; and in case of any parish having no male communicants, the Vestry may elect one or more delegates, duly qualified as above, from any other parish or parishes of the Diocese; *provided*, that no person shall be allowed to represent more than one parish in the same meeting of the Council. No person, Clerical or Lay, under Ecclesiastical censure, publicly declared by a competent tribunal, shall be admissible to a seat in the Council.

SECTION 4. It shall be lawful for the Council to exclude or suspend from Lay representation any Parish neglecting or refusing to appoint delegates to the Council for two successive years, or neglecting or refusing to comply with any lawful requirement of the Council; *provided*, that a vote of a majority of all the Clergy entitled to seats, and a majority of all the Parishes entitled to representation shall be required for such exclusion or suspension

SECTION 5. If any Parish shall neglect or decline to appoint Lay Delegates, or shall have been excluded or suspended from the right of doing so by the Council, or if any or all those appointed shall not be present, such Parish shall nevertheless be bound by the acts of the Council.

ARTICLE V.

SECTION I. The Council shall be the sole judge of the election and qualification of its own members. It shall have

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power to adopt Rules of Order for its own government, elect officers and raise funds, and shall have such other legislative powers as may be necessary and proper for the well-being of the Diocese.

SECTION 2. The Council shall have no power to pass any Canon infringing the Episcopal Authority, but may adopt resolutions of advice or enquiry, or institute any proceedings deemed necessary for the purpose of impeachment of the Bishop.

ARTICLE VI.

To constitute a quorum for the purpose of ordinary business the presence of one-third of all the Parochial Clergy and of delegates from seven of the Parishes entitled to representation in the Council shall be necessary. Any less number shall be competent to receive reports and to adjourn.

ARTICLE VII.

SECTION I. Upon any question before the Council, when it may be required by any one Clerical member, or by the delegation present of any one Parish, the two Orders shall vote separately. And in all cases of a vote by Orders, each Clerical member shall be entitled to one vote, and each delegation shall also be entitled to one vote, and a concurrence of majorities of both Orders shall be necessary to a decision. When no such division is called for, each member of the Council shall be entitled to one vote.

Section 2. All elections shall be by ballot, unless otherwise unanimously ordered.

ARTICLE VIII.

SECTION I. The Council shall annually elect a President (who shall be a Presbyter of the Diocese), a Secretary and a Treasurer.

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SECTION 2. Should there at any time be no such election then the officers *last* before elected shall hold over till such election shall be had.

SECTION 3. Should the office of Secretary or that of Treasurer become vacant at any time preceding the annual election, the Ecclesiastical Authority shall be empowered to fill the vacancy till such time as an election shall be had.

ARTICLE IX.

SECTION 1. A Standing Committee to consist of 3 Clergymen of the Diocese and 2 Laymen communicants of the Diocese, shall be annually elected by the Council.

SECTION 2. The Committee shall have power to fill any vacancy that may occur in their own body between the annual meetings of the Council.

SECTION 3. When there is no Bishop the Standing Committee shall be the Ecclesiastical Authority of the Diocese, and, as such, may invite the temporary services of other Bishops, and, for due cause, may change the time or place of the annual meetings of the Council; and they may also summon special Councils, and shall do so upon the call of one-third of the Clergy of the Diocese, or of one-third of the Parishes in union with the Council, as appearing upon the lists of the Journal last before published. And although there be a Bishop, the Standing Committee shall have power to call special Councils for the purpose of proceedings relative to his impeachment, and shall do so upon a similar requisition by the Clergy or Laity.

ARTICLE 'X.

SECTION 1. Any ten or more baptized adults may organize themselves into a Parish, and be received into union with

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the Council, by taking such steps as may be provided for by Canon.

SECTION 2. The Bishop of the Diocese may, with the written consent of the Rector of any Parish (a copy of which shall be filed with the Registrar of the Diocese), establish, within the limits of such Parish, Missionary congregations, whose Ministers shall be independent of the Rector and responsible to the Ecclesiastical Authority only; *provided*, that, with the advice and consent of the Standing Committee, the Bishop shall have the power to establish such independent Missionary congregations without the consent of the Rector.

SECTION 3. In all Parochial elections none shall be entitled to vote but baptized males of the age of twenty-one years, members of the Parish, who shall have subscribed a declaration in the following words, viz:

"We, the undersigned, do hereby consent to be govened by the Constitution and Canons of the Church, as set forth in the General Convention, and by the Constitution and Canons of the Church in this Diocese."

Provided, that this section shall not be taken to infringe upon the chartered rights or existing customs of any Parish established previous to the year 1859.

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SECTION I. Any Presbyter regularly called to the charge of a Parish and entering thereupon shall, during the time of such charge, be held to be the Rector of said Parish.

SECTION 2. The Rector is recognized as having, by virtue of his office, the exclusive regulation, under his Canonical superiors, of all the spiritual concerns of the Parish; as being entitled at all times to have access to the Church building

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ARTICLE XIV.

No new Canon shall be passed, nor shall any existing Canon be amended. upon the day upon which said new Canon or amendment may be proposed, without unanimous consent. Nor, without a similar consent, shall the question upon the passage of such Canon or amendment be finally put without previous reference to a committee.

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all the Clergy entitled to seats in the Council, and a majority of the Parishes represented; *provided*, that the number of Parishes voting shall not be less than fifteen.

SECTION 2. Provided, that the consideration of the proposed amendment may always be postponed to the next Annual Council by a vote of two-thirds of both orders present.

ARTICLE XVI.

All Constitutional enactments shall take effect from and after the adjournment of the Council at which they shall have been ratified.

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CANON I.

LIST OF MEMBERS OF THE COUNCIL.

SECTION I.—Clergy.—It shall be the duty of the Secretary, before the opening of the Annual Council, to apply to the Ecclesiastical Authority for a correct list of the Clergy entitled to seats. Such list shall be *prima facie* evidence of said title, and from it the Secretary shall prepare the roll for the purpose of organization.

SEC. 2.—Laity.—The Secretaries of the several Parish Vestries electing Lay Delegates to the Council shall furnish three certificates of said election, whereof one shall be handed to the Delegates elect, one shall be forwarded to the Secretary of the Council, and one to the Minister of the Parish where the Council is to be held, the latter two to be mailed at least two weeks before the time appointed for the opening of the session. From these certificates the Secretary shall prepare a list of Lay Delegates to be called at the opening of the Council; and shall insert no name upon the roll without the evidence of one of said certificates, unless specially directed by the Council. Defective or doubtful certificates shall be laid aside to be acted upon after the Council shall have been organized.

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CANON II.

OPENING SERVICES.

At the opening of each annual or special meeting of the Council Morning Prayer shall be said and the Holy Communion administered, during which there shall be a sermon by a clergyman appointed for the purpose by the Ecclesiastical Authority of the Diocese.

CANON III.

RULES OF ORDER.

The Council shall adopt Rules of Order, which shall continue in force until altered.

CANON IV.

PRESIDENT.

In absence of a Bishop competent to preside, as provided in Article IV, Section 1 of the Constitution, the chair shall be occupied by the President of the Council.

CANON V.

SECRETARY.

The Secretary shall issue notices of all meetings of the Council under the direction of the Ecclesiastical Authority. He shall prepare the canonical list of the Clergy and Lay Delegates entitled to seats therein. In the absence of both Bishop and President he shall call the Council to order for the purpose of organization. He shall keep a record of its proceedings, under its direction, in a suitable book to be kept

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for that purpose; shall prepare and issue its journals; shall preserve and have ready for reference all papers belonging to the same, not specially given into other hands; and shall also be the Registrar of the Diocese. He is hereby authorized to draw upon the Treasurer for the amount of the expenses necessarily incurred from time to time in discharging the duties prescribed by this Canon.

CANON VI.

TREASURER.

The Treasurer shall have custody of all funds or moneys belonging to the Diocese; shall, under the direction of the Council, receive, invest and disburse the same, and shall keep and return an account thereof to each annual meeting; and shall also report annually a complete list of all securities belonging to the Diocese. He shall give bond for the faithful discharge of his duties, in such sum as the Trustees of the Diocese may from time to time designate, such bond to be approved by and deposited with the Trustees of the Diocese.

CANON VII.

COMMITTEES.

SECTION 1. The following shall be the regular Committees of the Council, to-wit:

PERMANENT COMMITTEES.

[I] In addition to the Standing Committee, there shall be annually elected the following Committees, and all permanent committees shall remain in office until their successors are elected or appointed, viz: An Executive Missionary Com-

mittee and a Church Building Committee, to consist each of five; and an Education Committee to consist of three persons besides the Bishop, who shall be ex officio chairman of said committees.

[2] A Committee on Canons, to consist of three clergymen and two laymen, and a Committee on Finance, to consist of two clergymen and three layman, shall be annually appointed by the Bishop, or, in his absence, by the President of the Council, after opportunity has been given for presenting reports by those appointed at the previous annual meeting—not later than during the morning session of the second day.

OTHER COMMITTEES.

[3] The following committees shall be annually appointed by the Bishop, or, in his absence, by the President, as soon as may be after opening of the Council, viz: On Elections, On New Parishes, and On Unfinished Business, to consist each of one clergyman and two laymen; and On the State of the Church, to consist of three clergymen and two laymen.

SEC. 2.—Standing Committee.—The Standing Committee shall elect a President and Secretary from their own body. They shall assemble upon the call of their President, whenever he may deem it necessary. He shall also summon them whenever required to do so by the Bishop, or by any three members of the Committee. In the event of a vacancy in the Episcopate, the President shall call a meeting within thirty days after knowledge of the fact. The Standing Committee shall hold meetings for the transaction of business on the third Wednesday preceding the stated times of ordination, and at each Council; *Provided*, that the committee shall not be required to meet except upon notice by the President.

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They shall also report to the annual meetings of the Council their transactions of the preceding year. A record of all their official acts shall be kept by their Secretary, which shall always be open to the inspection of the Bishop and of the Council.

SEC. 3.—Executive Missionary Committee.—The Executive Missionary Committee shall have in charge the Missionary Funds of the Diocese, for which they shall be empowered to draw upon its Treasurer, the order of their chairman being the Treasurer's warrant. They shall receive applications for aid; they shall report annually to the Council their transactions during the previous year, and the condition of the missionary field, and shall make such recommendations for the future as may seem to them good. Under the direction of the Bishop—if there be one—they shall select the Missionaries or Missionary Stations to be aided, and in the absence of specific directions by the Council, shall make such appropriations to the same as may seem to them suitable. With the consent of the Bishop, they may appropriate moneys to Convocations, instead of individuals; and may leave to these Convocations, under the direction of the Bishop, the selection of Missionaries or Missionary Stations to be aided.

SEC. 4.—Education Committee.—The Education Committee shall have charge of the Education Fund of the Diocese, with power, in the absence of express provisions to the contrary, to invest or appropriate the same as may seem to them best. They shall be empowered to draw upon the Treasurer of the Diocese for all such funds in his hands, and the order of their chairman shall be his warrant. They shall receive, consider and act upon all applications for aid in behalf of young men desirous to enter the Ministry of the Church. They are hereby directed to seek out such cases, and, if need be, bring

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them to the notice of the Church in any way that may seem best. They shall report annually to the Council their transactions of the preceding year, and the condition of the fund under their control, and shall make such recommendations for the future as may seem to them good.

SEC. 5.—Church Building Committee.—The Church Building Committee shall have charge of all funds contributed in the Diocese for the purpose of aiding feeble congregations within the Diocese in building or repairing churches, with power to invest or appropriate the same as may seem to them best; provided, that there shall be no appropriation of the funds of this committee towards any building not secured to the sole use of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the *Diocese* of East Carolina. The Committee shall be empowered to draw upon the Treasurer of the Diocese for such funds as he may have received for church building; and the order of their chairman shall be his warrant. They shall report annually to the Council their transactions of the preceding year, and the condition of the fund under their control, and shall make such recommendations for the future as may seem to them good.

SEC. 6.—Committee on Canons.—The Committee on Canons shall receive, consider and present to the Council all motions or resolutions pertaining to the Constitution, Canons and Rules of Order, and are competent to originate any new matter, touching these subjects, that they shall see proper.

The Committee on Canons may report to the Council at which they are appointed, or on the morning of the second day of the next succeeding Council.

SEC. 7.—Committee on the State of the Church.—It shall be the duty of the Committee on the State of the Church, from such materials as may be placed before them, to report

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to the Council, at some time during its session, the condition of the Diocese, with such particular statements, or such recommendations, as may seem to them desirable.

SEC. 8.—Committee on Finance.—The Committee on Finance shall audit the Treasurer's accounts. They shall have power to report a scale of assessments for the purpose of raising funds required for Diocesan purposes; they may receive applications for the alteration of said scale, and shall have power to modify the same for the current year, reporting all such applications and their action thereon to the Council. They shall report to each Council the general condition of the several funds of the Diocese, with such deficits in the assessments as may be discoverable. They may make such recommendations as may seem to them desirable, and shall act upon all other matters relative to Diocesan property committed to them by the Council.

CANON VIII.

RELIEF FUND.

The contributions to the fund for relief of disabled clergymen and widows and orphans of deceased clergymen shall be distributed under the direction of the Bishop.

CANON IX.

DEPUTIES TO THE GENERAL CONVENTION.

At each Annual Council there may, and at each Annual Council immediately preceding the triennial session of the General Convention there shall be elected four clerical and four lay deputies to the said General Convention, who shall be, in accordance with Article II. of the Constitution of the

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General Convention, "Communicants in this Church and residents in the Diocese." There may also be elected four alternate clerical and four alternate lay deputies, subject to the same provisions as the original deputies above mentioned. The said alternate deputies shall succeed to vacancies in the original deputation in the order of their election as indicated by the number of votes cast for each, and in case of the same number of votes having been cast for two or more in either order, precedence shall be given to the clerical alternates in the order of official, and to the lay alternates in the order of personal seniority; and the Secretary shall insert the names of the alternates in this order upon the Journal.

Deputies elect to the General Convention, finding themselves unable to attend, shall, four weeks at least before the time of meeting, give notice to the first alternate of the same order. Should said alternate be unable to attend he shall give immediate notice to the next upon the list of the same order with himself. Should either of said alternates receive two or more of such notices, he shall, according to the circumstances, transmit said notices to one or more of the alternates who follow him, and in the order in which they come.

CANON X.

TRUSTEES OF THE DIOCESE.

Section 1. The Bishop, or when there is no Bishop, the President of the Standing Committee shall, ex officio, with two laymen to be elected by the Council, constitute a Board of Trustees for the Church in this Diocese, and shall be authorized to hold the property of the Diocese not otherwise provided for; and in absence of instructions by the Council they shall also, from time to time, give directions to the

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Treasurer in regard to the care and investment of the permanent and unappropriated funds of the Diocese in his hands.

SEC. 2. Whenever the title to real property in any Parish is vested in the Trustees of the Diocese for the benefit of the Parish the said Trustees shall have the power to convey said property upon the written request of the Vestry of such Parish if, in the opinion of said Trustees, it be advisable so to do; but if, in their opinion, it is not advisable to make such conveyance, they shall report the facts to the next Council.

CANON XI.

ORGANIZATION OF PARISHES AND MISSION STATIONS.

SECTION I. A new Parish may, upon application, be admitted into union with the Council, if duly organized according to the requirements set forth in the following section of this Canon, and if, in the judgment of the Council (upon the favorable report of a committee appointed for the purpose of enquiry into the case), the Parish gives promise of such sufficient strength as will enable it permanently to maintain its organization.

SEC. 2. The requirements for the organization of a new Parish shall be—

First. To obtain the written consent of the Ecclesiastical Authority.

Second. If within the limits of some already existing Parish or Parishes, to obtain the written consent of the Rector or Rectors of said Parishes.

Third. To assume a suitable name and elect a Vestry, as prescribed in Canon XII on Parochial Elections.

Fourth. To provide a book with a caption for the signatures of all the voters in the Parish consenting to be governed by

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the Constitution and Canons of the General Convention and of this Diocese, as directed in Article X, Section 3 of the Constitution of this Diocese.

And every new Parish applying for admission into union with the Council, shall present satisfactory evidence that all the above requirements have been duly complied with.

SEC. 3. Any Missionary Station outside the limits of an already existing Parish may be organized by the Bishop at his discretion.

The Bishop may appoint, upon the organization of the Mission, a Church Warden, a Clerk and Treasurer (if he deems it expedient, combining any two of these offices in one person) which officers shall thereafter be elected by the congregation annually in Easter week, after public notice of the election previously given. These officers shall, as far as possible, discharge the duties belonging to their respective offices in regularly incorporated Parishes, and they shall retain their offices until their successors are duly elected. The congregation of any organized Missionary Station, either without or within the limits of an already existing Parish, may appoint from their number a delegate to the Council, who shall be admitted to a seat, and to a participation in its deliberations, without the right of voting. The appointment of such delegate shall be certified by the Clerk of the Mission.

CANON XII.

PAROCHIAL ELECTIONS.

SECTION I.—Vestry.—Upon Easter Monday, unless some other day has been specified by the Vestry, each Parish shall annually elect, from among the baptized members of the Parish in good moral standing, a Vestry of not less than three

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nor more than twelve persons. But in the event, at any time, of an omission to elect, or of a refusal of the Vestry elect to serve, the Vestry last chosen shall hold over until another election shall be held.

SEC. 2.—Wardens.—Each Vestry shall annually elect a Senior and a Junior Warden from among their own number, the former upon nomination by the Rector. If there be no Rector the election shall proceed without such nomination.

SEC. 3.—Duties of Wardens.—In the absence of the Rector the Wardens shall preside in all meetings of the Vestry or congregation in the order of their official seniority. As representatives of the Vestry, they shall (subject to its directions and in consistency with the rights of the Rector) have charge of the church building, and shall see that it be kept from all secular uses, and from all uses inconsistent with the doctrines or discipline of the Protestant Episcopal Church; and, so far as possible, in good repair, as becometh the house of God. They shall see that it be prepared for public worship, and that order be preserved during the same; that suitable books and vestments be provided for the services, and, when necessary, the elements and vessels for the Holy Communion.

SEC. 4.—*Treasurer*.—In the absence of any other appointment the Junior Warden shall act as Treasurer of the Parish.

SEC. 5.—Vestry Meetings in Certain Cases.—Should the Rector refuse to call a meeting of the Vestry it shall be competent to the Wardens, or any three of the Vestry, to call one: Provided, that the Rector shall have due notice of the same.

CANON XIII.

CALL OF A MINISTER.

When there is no Rector the Vestry shall have power to call a minister and to enter into all needful stipulations for

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his support. But if he prefer to rely upon the voluntary contributions of the people, he shall be entitled to do so; and the Vestry shall not have the power to tax the sittings for that purpose without his consent. The Rector shall not have power to appoint a *permanent* assistant without the consent of the Vestry.

CANON XIV.

LEGAL POWERS OF THE VESTRY.

The Vestry shall be the Trustees of the Parish; shall have charge of all the secular concerns thereof; shall hold the property belonging thereto, and shall be authorized to collect, invest or disburse its funds.

CANON XV.

DISSOLUTIONS OF PARISHES.

In case of the dissolution of a Parish, the property belonging to the same shall vest in the Trustees of the Diocese, in trust for the interests of the Church in the said late Parish, and shall, upon the *bona fide* reorganization of said Parish, be reconveyed to the same.

CANON XVI.

CONVOCATIONS.

SECTION I. The Diocese shall be divided into three Missionary Convocations (the boundaries of which shall be made by the Convocations, with the consent of the Bishop), to be styled the Convocations "of the Albemarle," "of the Pamlico" and "of the Cape Fear."

SEC. 2. The Convocations shall be organized under the direction of the Bishop, who shall preside in them when present.

Each Convocation shall have a Dean, to be appointed annually by the Bishop, on nomination by the Convocation. The Dean shall perform such duties as may be assigned him by the Bishop or Convocation, and shall report to the Council, through the Bishop, at each annual session, concerning the work in his Convocation.

SEC. 3. Each Convocation shall meet at least twice during the year, and shall consist of the Clergy, who reside, or are engaged in pastoral work within its limits, and of lay communicants from each Parish or Mission, to be chosen according to rules adopted by the Convocation.

CANON XVII.

REGISTRATION, REPORTS, ETC.

SECTION I.—Private and Parish Registers.—It is hereby ordered that each Clergyman of this Church shall keep a register of all the baptisms, marriages, confirmations and funerals solemnized by him, as well as of all the baptisms, marriages, confirmations and funerals within his Parish, or Cure, specifying the names of the persons in each instance, the parentage and date of birth of those baptized, with the names of their sponsors or witnesses, and the time when each rite is performed, which register shall be transcribed at least once in each month into a book to be provided for the purpose by the Vestry of the Parish.

SEC. 2.—List of Communicants, etc.—It shall also be the duty of each Clergyman to keep a list of the communicants within his Cure, and, so far as practicable, of all the families and adult persons within the same, to remain for the use of his successor.

SEC. 3. On or before the first day of each Annual Council

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each Clergyman shall report to the Bishop all his official acts from the close of his last report up to the Monday preceding the Annual Council, and all information concerning the state of his Parish, according to the following form, specifying the place of all his official acts outside his Cure:

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	Parish.
	Rector.
Number of families	4
Baptisms—Infants. Adults Total.	
Confirmations. Communicants-Added by removal. Added by admission.	
Whole number added	
Withdrawn Suspended.	
Whole number lost	
Burials Public services—On Sundays. Other days.	
Holy Communion—Number times administered public """ private Sunday-schools—Number	
No. Teachers—Males; females; total Other officers	
Scholars—Males; females; total Parish Schools—Number of teachers	
Other officers; females; total Other Parochial institutions	

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SEC. 4.—Reading of said Reports.—The said reports, or such parts of the same as may be designated, with the approval of the Bishop, may be read to the Council, and shall be entered upon the Journal thereof.

SEC 5.—Report by Wardens.—In the case of a Parish without a Pastor, it shall be the duty of the Wardens to make the Parochial Report required by this Canon.

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SEC. 6.—Communicants to be Reported.—In making the above reports all communicants who have not withdrawn or been repelled by the proper authority shall be included.

CANON XVIII.

SALARIES, COMPENSATIONS, &C.

SECTION I. The salary of the Bishop of the Diocese is hereby fixed, as heretofore, at two thousand five hundred dollars per annum, to be paid by the Treasurer out of the funds in his hands for that purpose.

SEC. 2.—Officers of the Council, etc.—The Secretary, the Treasurer, the clerical members of the Diocesan Council, and the members of the Standing Committee of the Diocese, of the Finance Committee and of the Committee on Canons, in actual attendance upon the duly called meetings of the bodies to which they severally belong, shall be entitled to have their necessary expenses incurred by such attendance paid out of the funds of the Diocese; and the Treasurer of the Diocese is hereby directed to pay the same upon the personal application (by letter or otherwise) of said parties, accompanied by a certificate of the amount actually and necessarily expended in each instance. But no Clergyman who comes to the Council after the first day of its session, or leaves before its adjournment, shall be entitled to the provisions of this section, without the special action of the Council.

SEC. 3.—Clerical Deputies.—Each Clerical Deputy to the General Convention, actually attending the same, shall be entitled to have his necessary expenses, incurred by such attendance, paid out of the funds of the Diocese. And the Treasurer is hereby directed to pay the same upon his application.

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CANON XIX.

ASSESSMENTS.

The assessments laid upon the Parishes for the support of the Episcopate and the current expenses of the Diocese shall be payable in quarterly instalments, on or before the first days of July, October, January and April, in each year. And in case of the failure of any Parish to meet promptly the payment so required, it shall be the duty of the Treasurer to make a demand for the same from the delinquent Parish.

CANON XX.

COLLECTIONS FOR DIOCESAN FUNDS.

SECTION I. It shall be the duty of every Clergyman of the Diocese to make collections monthly, if practicable—at least quarterly—in the Parish or Parishes under his charge, in aid of the Current Missionary Fund of the Diocese, and to make collections in the same, at least once in each year, in aid of the Education Fund, the Church Building Fund and the Relief Fund of the Diocese.

SEC. 2. It shall be the duty of some proper officer of each Parish to remit promptly to the Treasurer of the Diocese the the amounts collected as herein provided.

CANON XXI.

PERMANENT EPISCOPAL FUND.

The principal of the Permanent Episcopal Fund, with all additions to the same, which may from time to time be received, shall remain intact, and only the income shall be applied to the support of the Episcopate.

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The Treasurer is hereby directed to add to the principal from time to time all the surplus remaining from the amounts received by assessment or otherwise, for the support of the Episcopate and the contingent expenses of the Diocese, after payment of the Bishop's salary and contingent expenses

CANON XXII.

PERMANENT MISSIONARY FUND.

SECTION I. When any funds shall be contributed or collected for a Permanent Missionary Fund the amount shall be invested and only the interest thereof shall be applied to current missionary expenses.

SEC. 2. Any surplus which may remain from the amounts received for current missionary expenses, whether by interest upon the permanent fund aforesaid, by assessment or otherwise, after payment of such current missionary expenses, shall be added to the permanent fund aforesaid.

CANON XXIII.

CLERGY LIABLE TO MISSIONARY DUTY.

All Clergymen of the Diocese receiving aid from its missionary funds shall be liable to perform such missionary duties within the Diocese, as may be prescribed by the Bishop, and the amount of compensation therefor shall be fixed from time to time by the Executive Missionary Committee.

CANON XXIV.

TRIAL OF CLERGYMEN.

Section 1.—The Presentment.—Any Clergyman shall be liable to presentment and trial for false doctrine, immorality,

disorderly conduct, violation of the rubrics, of the Constitution or Canons of the Church in the United States, or of the Constitution or Canons of the Church in this Diocese.

Such presentment shall be made by the Vestry of the Parish in which said Clergyman has charge, or in which he resides, or by at least three male communicants of the Diocese, of full age, or by two or more Presbyters, who shall have been canonically resident therein for one year.

But no presentment shall be made in any case of any offence alleged to have been committed more than three years before the date of the presentment: Provided, that if the accused be convicted of the alleged offence in a civil court, presentment may still be made within one year after said conviction.

Said presentment shall be made to the Bishop in writing, with the names of the presenters subscribed, and shall distinctly declare, with all reasonable specification of time and circumstances, the nature of the offence or offences with which the said Clergyman may be charged.

SEC. 2.—Public Rumor.—But although no such presentment be made, if public rumor charge any Clergyman with the commission of any of the offences above enumerated, the Bishop shall appoint two or more Presbyters to investigate the truth of such rumor, and if such investigation prove adverse to the Clergyman so charged, the said Presbyters shall make the presentment as above, according to the forms and regulations there provided.

The presenters shall, in all cases, assume the responsibility of conducting the prosecution.

SEC. 3.—Service of Presentment—Constitution of Court.— Should the Bishop be of opinion, from the nature of the charge or charges made, that the presentment contains sufficient grounds for proceeding to trial, he shall cause a copy thereof to be forthwith sent to the accused. He shall then give notice to the Standing Committee, who thereupon shall select *seven* Presbyters, actually and canonically resident in the Diocese, from whom the President of the Standing Committee shall, in writing, call upon the accused to elect *three*. But in case the accused refuse or neglect to make such election within ten days after due notice as aforesaid, the Standing Committee shall make the said election.

The three Presbyters so elected shall constitute a court for the trial of the accused, and shall have all powers necessary for the due conducting of the said trial.

SEC. 4.—Lay Assessor.—The Bishop shall appoint a member of the legal profession, who shall also be a communicant of the Church, as Assesor to the Court, to advise the Court, if requested, upon all questions of law which may arise during the trial.

SEC. 5.—Time and Place of Trial and Notice Thereof.—The Bishop shall appoint a time and place of trial, and shall give at least thirty days' notice of the same to the members of the Court, the Assessor, the Presenters, and the Accused; at which time and place the Witnesses also shall be notified to attend.

SEC. 6.—Assembling of Court and Record of Proceedings.— The Court shall assemble at the time and place appointed, and shall proceed to examine fully the charges, and shall keep an accurate record of all their proceedings and of the evidence.

SEC. 7.—Nature of Evidence and How Given.—No charge shall be considered as established unless proved by two witnesses, or by one witness and corroborating circumstances.

Testimony may be given orally before the court, or in writing, upon interrogatories and cross interrogatories, to be previously filed with the Secretary or Registrar of the Court. Any one or more of the witnesses may be examined on oath or affirmation, on the requisition of either party.

SEC. 8.—Decision of the Court and the Sentence.—A unanimous vote of the Court, on one or more of the charges, shall be necessary to the conviction of the accused; and if their decision be adverse to the accused, they shall proceed to determine the kind and degree of punishment commensurate, in their opinion, with the offence or offences committed. They shall transmit to the Bishop, under their hand, the record of their proceedings. The judgment of the Bishop on such decisions shall be final, except that he shall have no power to increase the punishment recommended by the Court.

SEC. 9.—Suspension, or any heavier sentence, shall, *ipso* facto, sever the connection of the Clergyman with his Parish.

SEC. 10.—The Record to be Filed.—The record provided for in the sixth section of this Canon, together with the Bishop's sentence endorsed, shall be preserved among the papers of the Diocese.

SEC. 11.—*Notices*.—For the purpose of any notice provided for by this Canon, it shall be sufficient to serve it either personally or by leaving a copy thereof at the last place of residence of the accused.

SEC. 12.—Confession of an Offence.—When a Clergyman shall make confession to the Bishop of the commission of any of the offences enumerated in the first section of this Canon, the Bishop shall proceed to inflict such eeclesiastical censure or punishment upon the Clergyman so confessing as he (the Bishop) shall think right.

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SEC. 13.—Renunciation of False Doctrine.—In the case of any accusation of false doctrine, a renunciation of the same, to the satisfaction of the Bishop, shall stay all further proceedings.

CANON XXVII.

JOURNALS OF THE COUNCIL.

The Secretary shall, each year, preserve thirty copies of the Journal for the use of the members of the next ensuing Council.





DIOCESE OF EAST CAROLINA.

APPENDIX B.

TREASURER'S REPORT

For Fiscal Year Ending March 31, 1885.

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TREASURER'S REPORT

FOR FISCAL YEAR, ENDING MARCH 31, 1885.

The Treasurer herewith respectfully presents, in accordance with Canon YII, a complete list of all the Securities in his hands belonging to the Diocese, and also his Annual Accounts of the several current Funds, showing the following credit balances at the close of the fiscal year 1884-85, viz:

Diocesan Missions	551	96
Relief Fund	218	65
Education Fund	196	70
Church Building Fund	61	41
Permanent Episcopal Fund	708	88
Fund for Education of Children of Deceased Clergymen	233	91
Clergy Relief Fund—(for Relief of Disabled Clergymen and		
Widows and Orphans of Deceased Clergymen)	272	39
Total cash in hand\$2	,243	90

A surplus of \$747 87 remaining from the receipts of the year for the Current Episcopal and Contingent Fund has been added to the Permanent Episcopal Fund, as directed by Canon XXII.

The Treasurer has also had the pleasure of receiving and transmitting the sum of \$49 48 for the Theological Department of the University of the South, contributed as follows, viz:

From	St. James', Wilmington	17 48
"	"through Bishop Watson	
66	St. Paul's, Edenton, through Bishop Watson	6 00
"	Mr. Iredell Johnston, """"	00 01
6.6	A Member of St. John's, Wilmington, thro' Bishop Watson	I 00
	A Member of St. Peter's, Gates co., " " "	5 00
66	Mr. Angus Shaw, Shoe Heel, "" ""	5 00

Respectfully submitted,

A. J. DEROSSET,

Treasurer.

LIST OF SECURITIES BELONGING TO THE DIOCESE OF EAST CAROLINA.

In Hands of Treasurer April 1, 1885.

FOR ACCOUNT OF THE PERMANENT EPISCOPAL FUND.

No. 100 and 10	Par Value
Nos. 1545, 1565, \ 4 Bonds of the North Carolina R. R. Co., 8s, 1566, 1567, \ payable Nov. 1, 1888, \$500 each\$	
No. 1861, I Bond North Carolina State 4s, payable 1910	1,000 00
Nos. 72, 97, 98, 3 Bonds City of Wilmington, Gold 8s, payable	
1892, \$500 each	1,500 00
No. 85, I Bond City of Wilmington (currency 8s), paya-	
ble 1887	1,000 00
Nos. 166, 167, 168 \ 5 Bonds City of Wilmington (currency 8s)	
169,246 \$100 each, payable 1887	500 00
No. 254, I Bond City of Wilmington (currency 8)	1,000 00
No. 324, I " " payable 1888 "	200 00
Nos. 53 to 59, 7 " " " 1897 (currency 6s),	
\$500 each	3,500 00
Nos. 320 and 321, 2 Bonds City of Wilmington, payable 1897 (cur-	0.0
rency 6s), \$100 each	200 00
Nos. 90 and 93, 2 New Hanover County Bonds, payable 1887,	
\$100 each	200 00
No. 119, I Craven County Bond, payable 1909, 6s	500 00
Bond and Mortgage J. W. Barnes, dated Dec. 12, 1882, 8 per ct	300 00
	300 00
J. II. and M. 4. Doatwinght, dated June 7, 63,	
8 per ct	1,500 00
" W. L. De Rosset, dated June 28, 1882, 8 per ct	1,200 00
" W. B. McKoy, dated April 6, 1883, 8 per ct	1,000 00
" W. B. McKoy, dated Nov. 26, 1883, 8 per ct	500, 00
Certificate No. 3477, July 25, 1884, 25 shares Capital Stock in Wil-	
mington & Weldon Railroad Company	2,500 00
1 3	, 0

All the above Securities were received June 19, 1884, in the division of property by the Joint Committee of the two Dioceses, except that the City of Wilmington 8 per cent. Bond of \$1,000, No. 85, was purchased July 7, 1884, at 102 per cent., and paid for in Bonds of same class received in the division, viz: No. 3 and 219 of \$100 each, and No. 208 of \$300, say \$500 in Bonds at 102 per cent., and \$510 in cash—thus increasing the amount of Bonds now on hand by \$500 at par value.

By reference to the Current Account of the Permanent Episcopal Fund for the past fiscal year it will be seen that there is an uninvested amount now in hand of \$788 o8, derived mainly from the surplus of the Current Episcopal and Contingent Fund. FOR ACCOUNT OF THE FUND FOR EDUCATION OF CHILDREN OF DECEASED CLERGYMEN.

Received in the division of property as above, June 19, 1884, viz:

Nos. 61 and 62, 2 Craven Co. Bonds, payable 1909, 6s, \$500 each...\$1,000 00

Nos. 1096 to 1105, 10 Craven County Bonds, as above, \$25 each...... 250 00

CLERGY RELIEF FUND—FOR RELIEF OF DISABLED CLERGYMEN, AND WIDOWS AND ORPHANS OF DECEASED CLERGYMEN.

This fund consists of one-half interest in a judgment against Mr.

DR. Diocese of East Carolina, for the Current Episcopal and Contingent Fund,

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	aid the following clergymen, expenses attending Con- ation at Washington, May, 1884, viz:				
Rev	S. S. Barber \$ 2.00 Rev. Thos. B. Haughton	\$ 5	00		
"	S. S. Barber	19			
6.6	Jas. Carmichael, D.D 15 20 "Jno. Kiernan		50		
6.6	Luther Eborn 5 50 "H. S. McDuffey		20	\$ 81	80
				# 01	00
Paid	Rev. John Kiernan, expenses atttending Primary		ì		
I ala	Convention at Newbern, December, 1883			2	50
6.6	Rev. N. Harding, bill of Expenses incurred by him as			3	50
				т8	00
4.4	Secretary Printing Treasurer's Report April, 1884	22	00	10	00
6.6	" Journals of Primary and First Annual Con-		00		
	ventions, Dec., '83, and May, '84	179	20		
	Cost of distribution of Journals	II			
	Printing Tabular Statement and Circulars	12		224	05
	Timing Tabalar Statement and Circulars		50	224	93
	Travelling expenses of members of Standing Com-				
	mittee			40	45
6.6	Ditto of members of Joint Committee on Division of			49	43
	Funds of old Diocese		İ	TO	53
6.6	Record Book for Trustees of Diocese		Į	10	
4.4	Registering Deed from St. James' Parish, Wilming-		1		50
	ton, to Trustees of Diocese				00
	Diocese of North Carolina one-half of debit balance of			1	00
	this acc't to Dec. 12, 1883, in settlement between				
	Treasurers, July, 1884	613	25		
	Less amount due this Diocese for receipts from Dec.	013	25		
	12, 1883, to June 19, 1884	202	10	210	8-
	12, 1863, to June 19, 1864	393	40	219	05
66	Salary of Bishop from April 17, 1884, to March 31,				
	1885, \$2,500 per year	2390	4.1		
	Less am't charged in Treasurer's acc't of April, '84			2077	OI
	Less am t charged in Treasurer's acc t of April, 04	312	50	20//	91
	Postage, telegrams, &c		-	0	00
"	Treasurer's commission on receipts, \$3,435 74, less			9	99
	\$422 96 from Diocese of North Carolina, say on				
	\$3,012 78, 5 per cent			150	64
66	Balance transferred to credit of Permanent Episcopal		-	150	04
	Fund			747	87
	Tunu			747	0/
				\$3595	00
				#3373	77

y Balance per Account to April, 1884		\$ 149 2
Amount from Parishes and Congregations, as per Tab-		
ular Statement		1787 7
Learne from the Domeston Friedrich Trund from date		5 0
'Income from the Permanent Episcopal Fund from date		
of Organization of the Diocese, Dec. 12, 1883, to		1
April 1, 1885, viz:		
Carolina State 4 per cent. Bond	40.00	,
Coupons for July 294 of the good City of Wilmington 99	40 00	
Coupons for July, '84, of \$3,700 City of Wilmington 8s for Jan., '85, of 4,200 " 8s	148 oc	
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101 July, 84, and Jan., 85, 61 \$3,700 City of		1
Wilmington 6s.	222 00)
'Coupons Sept., '84, and March, '85, \$200 County of	** **	
New Hanover 6s	12 00	
Coupons Nov., '84, of \$2,000 North Carolina R. R. 8s	80 00	1
Dividends for July, '84, and Jan., '85, 4 per cent. each		
on 25 Shares W. & W. Railroad Company	200 00	
'Interest on Bonds and Mortgages, viz:		İ
Of W. B. McKoy, for \$1,000, 6 mos. to Oct. 6, '84	40 00	
" for \$500, I year to Nov. 26, '84	40 00	i
Of J. H. & M. L. Boatwright, \$1,500, I year to De-		
cember 6, '84	120 00	J.
Of J. W. Barnes, for \$300, 1 year to Dec. 12, '84	24 00	
Of W. L. De Rosset, for \$1,200, 1 year to Dec. 29, '84	96 00	
Amount from Treasurer of Diocese of North Carolina,		
our portion of receipts, for this Account, in his		
hands to July 28, '84	422 96	1612 96
Interest on deposit of uninvested funds to April 1, '85		41 03
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DR.	Diocese of	East Car	olina, for	Diocesan	Missions,
To am't paid appropriatio Committee, viz: "Rev. S. S. Barber" "L. Eborn" "T. B. Haughton" "I. Harding" "N. C. Hughes, D. D Treasurer's commission from Diocese of No. 5 per cent Balance to New Accoun	\$100 00 Rev. 100 00 " 100 00 " 60 00 " 100 00 on receipts, \$ rth Carolina,	N. C. H N. E. I Charles R. B. V	Iughes, J. Price Stewart. Vindley less \$45 1	50 00 50 00 25 00 100 00	
					\$1293 71

Dr.	Diocese of East Carolina, for	the Relief Fund,
To paid Bishop Wats "Treasurer's comm "Balance carried to	son for distribution	\$ 70 00 4 49 218 65
		\$293 14

To paid am't appropriated by the Committee to Mr. H. Hobart Barber	Dr.	Diocese of East Carolina, for the Ed	ucation Fund,
	Hobart Bar "Treasurer's con	nmission on receipts, \$69 92, at 5 per ct	\$ 50 00 3 50 196 70

In Account with A. J. DeRosset, Treasurer, for the Fiscal Year	r 1884-'8	5. CR.
By balance of account to April, 1884		\$113 61
"am't received from Treasurer of Diocese of North Carolina in settlement of accounts July 28, '84		45 13
" collection at Convention May 14, 1884" " am't received from Parishes and Congregations, per	23 95	40 - 0
Tabular Statement	457 69	•
per Tabular Statement	498 83	
Auxiliary Society "Donation from a member of Christ Church Parish of	100 00	
Newbern, through Rev. Mr. Shields	50 00	
"Donation from Mr. E. B. Cromartie of Bladen county, through Rev. Dr. Huske	4 50	1134 97
	i	\$1293 71
April I. By Balance		\$ 551 96

In Account with A. J. DeRosset Treasurer, Fiscal Year 1884-'85.	
By balance per Account April, 1884 "amount from Treasurer of Diocese of North Carolina,	53 49
in settlement of accounts to July 28, 1884 "from Parishes and Congregations, per Tab'r Statement	149 73 89 92
1885.	\$293 14
April I. By Balance	\$218 65

In Account with A. J. DeRosset, Treasurer, Fiscal Year 1884-'85.	CR.
By balance per Account April, 1884 " amount from Treasurer of Diocese of North Carolina in	\$ 25 77
settlement of accounts to July 28, 1885	154 51
Statement	69 92
	\$250 20
1885. April 1. By Balance	\$196 70

	Diocese of East Carolina, for Acc't of the Church Build	,
	appropriation by Committee to St. James' Church,	\$ 34 20
Treas	surer's commission on receipts, \$57 81, at 5 per ct	2 8
Balar	ace carried forward	61 4
		\$98 5
Dr.	Diocese of East Carolina for the Permanent Episco	pal Fund
To paid (C. E. Johnson, Treasurer Diocese of North Caroli-	
na +h	t, to equalize division of Securities, by order of e Joint Committee	\$85 0
" paid f	for one Bond of City of Wilmington, of \$1,000, at	\$05 00
8 t	per ct. interest, 102 per ct	
L,e	ess 2 Bonds, No. 3 and 219, of same class, of \$100 ch, and 1 bond No. 208, same class, of \$300,	
sa	y 3 bonds for \$500 given in part payment of above	
at	102 per ct	510 00
" paid T	Treasurer's commissions on receipts, \$117 14, at	
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	per ct	5 8
	per ét. ice carried forward	5 85 708 88
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APPENDIX B-II.

Treasurer's Supplementary Report to May 15, 1885.

The Treasurer respectfully reports the following receipts to this date, since closing his Accounts to the end of the past fiscal year, viz:

FOR THE CURRENT EPISCOPAL AND CONTINGENT FUND. Grace Church, Bertie..... 72 00 .16 St. John's, Makeleyville..... 2 63 373 St. Stephen's, Goldsboro.... 44 00 88 South Mills.... I 00 6.6 St. Paul's, Greenville..... 7 50 66 Grace Church, Plymouth..... 21 00 66 Christ Church, Newbern.... 50 00 6.6 Christ Church, Elizabeth City..... 3I OI 66 Trinity, Beaufort county..... 5 00 66 Holy Trinity, Hertford..... 57 20 6.6 St. Cyprian's, Newbern..... 5 00 66 St. John's, Pitt county..... 40 00 66 St. Paul's, Vanceboro.... 4 75 6.6 St. John's, Beaufort county..... 17 78 66 St. Thomas', Bath..... 17 80 66 Zion, Beaufort county..... 58 FOR DIOCESAN MISSIONS. From St. James' Sunday School, Wilmington..... \$2 00 St. John's, Makeleyville..... 5 00 66 Trinity, Beaufort county..... I 37 66 St. Paul's, Greenville..... 5 65 66 St. Paul's, Vanceboro..... 58 66 Zion, Beaufort county..... 47 66 Collections by Bishop..... 73 53

FOR THE RELIEF FUND.					
From	St. Martin's, Hamilton	\$2	27		
66	St. John's, Fayetteville	6	84		
6.6	St. Paul's, Wilmington	7	20		
6.6	St. Paul's, Edenton	. 1	50		
66	St. Thomas', Bath	1	00		
FOR THE EDUCATION FUND.					
From	St. Paul's, Greenville	\$4	65		
6.6	Trinity, Beaufort county		81		
6.6	St. Paul's, Vanceboro	Ī	12		
66	St. Thomas', Bath.		92		
FOR THE CHURCH BUILDING FUND.					
From	St. Paul's, Greenville	\$2	90		
6.6	St. Paul's, Wilmington.	7	20		
"	Mission at Aurora	I	81		



In Acc't with A. J. De Rosset, Treas'r, for Fiscal Year ending March of By Balance per Account to April, 1884	\$21 29 19 49 57 81 \$98 59
"amount received from Treasurer of Diocese of North Carolina in settlement of accounts to July 28, 1884" "amount from Parishes and Congregations, per Tabular Statement	19 49 57 81
Carolina in settlement of accounts to July 28, 1884 "amount from Parishes and Congregations, per Tabular Statement	57 81
Statement.	
1885. ———————————————————————————————————	
April 1. By Balance	PJ 03
1. E. C.	\$61 41
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In Acc't with A. J. DeRosset, Treas'r, for Fiscal Year ending March 31	, '85. CR.
By am't from Treasurer of Diocese of North Carolina in	
settlement of Accounts to July 28, 1884 "am't from St. James' Parish—rent collected for the Episcopal Residence—credited to this Acc't by or-	\$444 72
der of the Trustees of the Diocese	66 14
"am't from Rev. E. Wooten, Special Agent, one-half of	25 00
\$50 collected by him	25 00
"Donation from Miss S. A. Eborn" am't of Balance of Current Episcopal and Contingent	I 00
Fund to April 1, 1885	747 87
	\$1309 73
1885. ———April I. By Balance.	\$708 88
	, \$7,00 00
In Acc't with A. J. De Rosset, Treas'r, for Fiscal Year ending March 3	1. '85, CR.
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By amount received from Treasurer of Diocese of North Carolina, in settlement of Accounts July 28, 1884	\$233 91
	\$233 91
1885. April 1. By Balance	\$233 91
Disabled Clergymen, and Widows and Orphans of Deceased Clergyme	n)
for Fiscal Year ending March 31, 1885.	CR.
By am't rec'd from Treasurer of Diocese of North Carolina	d
in settlement of Accounts July 28, 1884	\$222 39
on acc't of judgment in favor of the old Diocese	50 00
	\$272 39
1885.	P-1- 39

TABULAR STATEMENT,

SHOWING AMOUNTS RECEIVED FROM PARISHES AND CONGREGATIONS FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDING MARCH 31, 1885,

	Arrears due to April, 1885.	25 25 25 25 25 25 25 25 25 25 25 25 25 2	-
	TOTAL PAYMENTS		6 52
Collections	Gard.	する×11m×577112475m2720228888322555574442m22632 する×11m×57711247m27m288332555574442m22633 ながは12×57711247m27m27m27m27m2m2m2m2m2m2m2m2m2m2m2m2m	6 52
	Ch. Bld'g Fund.	85 1 1 25 1 1 00 1 0 00 1 0 00 1 0 00 1 0 00 1 0 00 1 0 00 1 0 00 1 0 00 1 0 00 1 0 00 1 0 00 1 0 00 1 0 00 1 0 00 1 0 00 1 0 00 1 0 00 1 0 00 1 0 00 1 0 00 1 0 00 1 0 00 1 0 00 1 0 00 1 0 00 1 0 00 1 0 00 1 0 00 1 0 00 1 0 00 1 0 00 1 0 00 1 0 00 1 0 00 1 0 00 1 0 00 1 0 00 1 0 00 1 0 00 1 0 00 1 0 00 1 0 00 1 0 00 1 0 00 1 0 00 1 0 00 1 0 00 1 0 00 1 0 00 1 0 00 1 0 00 1 0 00 1 0 00 1 0 00 1 0 00 1 0 00 1 0 00 1 0 00 1 0 00 1 0 00 1 0 00 1 0 00 1 0 00 1 0 00 1 0 00 1 0 00 1 0 00 1 0 00 1 0 00 1 0 00 1 0 00 1 0 00 1 0 00 1 0 00 1 0 00 1 0 00 1 0 00 1 0 00 1 0 00 1 0 00 1 0 00 1 0 00 1 0 00 1 0 00 1 0 00 1 0 00 1 0 00 1 0 00 1 0 00 1 0 00 1 0 00 1 0 00 1 0 00 1 0 00 1 0 00 1 0 00 1 0 00 1 0 00 1 0 00 1 0 00 1 0 00 1 0 00 1 0 00 1 0 00 1 0 00 1 0 00 1 0 00 1 0 00 1 0 00 1 0 00 1 0 00 1 0 00 1 0 00 1 0 00 1 0 00 1 0 00 1 0 00 1 0 00 1 0 00 1 0 00 1 0 00 1 0 00 1 0 00 1 0 00 1 0 00 1 0 00 1 0 00 1 0 00 1 0 00 1 0 00 1 0 00 1 0 00 1 0 00 1 0 00 1 0 00 1 0 00 1 0 00 1 0 00 1 0 00 1 0 00 1 0 00 1 0 00 1 0 00 1 0 00 1 0 00 1 0 00 1 0 00 1 0 00 1 0 00 1 0 00 1 0 00 1 0 00 1 0 00 1 0 00 1 0 00 1 0 00 1 0 00 1 0 00 1 0 00 1 0 00 1 0 00 1 0 00 1 0 00 1 0 00 1 0 00 1 0 00 1 0 00 1 0 00 1 0 00 1 0 00 1 0 00 1 0 00 1 0 00 1 0 00 1 0 00 1 0 00 1 0 00 1 0 00 1 0 00 1 0 00 1 0 00 1 0 00 1 0 00 1 0 00 1 0 00 1 0 00 1 0 00 1 0 00 1 0 00 1 0 00 1 0 00 1 0 00 1 0 00 1 0 00 1 0 00 1 0 00 1 0 00 1 0 00 1 0 00 1 0 00 1 0 00 1 0 00 1 0 00 1 0 00 1 0 00 1 0 00 1 0 00 1 0 00 1 0 00 1 0 00 1 0 00 1 0 00 1 0 00 1 0 00 1 0 00 1 0 00 1 0 00 1 0 00 1 0 00 1 0 00 1 0 00 1 0 00 1 0 00 1 0 00 1 0 00 1 0 00 1 0 00 1 0 00 1 0 00 1 0 00 1 0 00 1 0 00 1 0 00 1 0 00 1 0 00 1 0 00 1 0 00 1 0 00 1 0 00 1 0 00 1 0 00 1 0 00 1 0 00 1 0 00 1 0 00 1 0 00 1 0 00 1 0 00 1 0 00 1 0 00 1 000 1 0 00 1 0 000 1 0 00 1 0 000 1 0 00 1 0 0	
UTIONS.	Educat'n Fund.	4 50 1 112 86 8 86 6 06 6 06 75 75	
CONTRIBUTIONS	Relief Fund.	1 100 84, 84, 1 00 1 00	
	Diocesan Missions.	5 GT	
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OF THE

THIRD ANNUAL CONVENTION

OF THE

PROTESTANT EPISCOPAL CHURCH

IN THE

Diocese of East Carolina,

HELD IN

ST. STEPHEN'S CHURCH, GOLDSBORO,

ON THE

26TH, 27TH AND 28TH OF MAY, A. D. 1886.

WIL, MINGTON, N. C.: WM. L. DE ROSSET, JR., PRINTER AND BINDER. 1886.



MAY, 1886. Officers of the Convention. . Standing Committee,

Diocese of East Carolina.

BISHOP, AND EX OFFICIO CHAIRMAN OF THE CONVENTION:

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THE RT. REV. ALFRED A. WATSON, D. D., Wilmington.

A. D. 1886.

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The Rev. N. Collin Hughes, D. D.,

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The Rev. J. M. Hillvar,

Maj. John Hughes.

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William Calder, H. G. Smallbones.

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TRUSTEES OF THE UNIVERSITY OF THE SOUTH.

William Latimer, The Rev. V. W. Shields, W. B. Shepard.

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The Rev. Wm. H. Lewis, W. G. Lamb.

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The Rev. I. Harding, R. R. Cotton.
The Rev. R. B. Drane, F. A. Boyle,
The Rev. J. M. Hillyar, J. C. McRae.

Regular Committees.

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Regular Committees

APPOINTED BY THE BISHOP.

COMMITTEE ON ELECTIONS:

The Rev. R. B. Drane,

George C. Royall, R. H. Everett.

NEW PARISHES:

The Rev. V. W. Shields,

J. W. Albertson, Jr., Wilson G. Lamb.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

The Rev. T. B. Haughton,

H. N. Blount, S. H. Abbott,

COMMITTEE ON THE STATE OF THE CHURCH:

The Rev. W. H. Lewis, The Rev. N. E. Price, The Rev. Luther Eborn; Col. Wm. L. DeRosset, William B. Shepard.

Alphabetical Tist of the Clergy.

MAY, 1886.

- The Rt. Rev. Alfred Augustin Watson, D. D., Bishop, Wilmington.

 PRIESTS.
- The Rev. Ambler, Thomas Marshall, Rector, St. Paul's, Wilmington, and Examining Chaplain.

Burr, Eli Chrysostom.

- Carmichael, James, D. D., Rector, St. John's, Wilmington, and Examining Chaplain.
- Drane, Robert Brent, Rector, St. Paul's, Edenton.
- Eborn, Luther, Rector, St. David's, Scuppernong, and St. Luke's, Washington, Co.
- Forbes, Edward MacArtney, Rector, St. Paul's, Beaufort, and Examining Chaplain.
- Harding, Israel, Rector, St. Mary's, Kinston, Holy Innocents', Lenoir Co., and St. John's, Pitt Co.
- Harding, Nathaniel, Rector, St. Peter's Washington, Examining Chaplain, and Secretary of the Convention.
- Haughton, Thomas Benbury, Rector, Church of the Advent, Williamston.
- Hillyar, James M., Rector, St. Stephen's, Goldsboro.

The Rev. Hilton, Horace Gray, Rector, Grace Church, Plymouth and St. Thomas' Windsor.

Hughes, Nicholas Collin, D. D., Rector, St. Paul's, Greenville and Trinity Church, Beaufort Co., and Examining Chaplain, P. O., Chocowinity.

Huske, Joseph Caldwell, D. D., Rector, St. John's Fayetteville.

Jarvis, Herbert Munson, Rector, Grace Church, Woodville. P. O. Lewiston, Bertie Co., N. C. Kiernan, John.

Lewis, William H., Rector, St. James', Wilmington.

Price, Nymphas Edgar, Rector, St. Thomas', Bath, and St. James', Beaufort Co.

Scott, John, Rector, St. George's, Hyde Co.

Shields, Van Winder, Rector, Christ Church, Newbern, and Examining Chaplain.

Sweetland, Edward R.

Thorpe, Thomas May.

DEACONS.

The Rev. Barber, Samuel Swann, officiating in St. John's, Makelyville, Hyde Co., P. O. Lake Comfort.

Cassey, Peter Williams, officiating in St. Cyprian's, Newbern.

Hughes, Nicholas Collin, Jr., officiating in Aurora Mission, Haw Branch Mission and Vanceboro Mission, Beaufort and Craven Counties, P. O. Chocowinity.

McDuffey, Henry Stephen, officiating in St. Joseph's, Fayetteville.

Morelle, Daniel, Teaching in Wilmington

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The Rev. Phelps, Hardy Hardison, officiating in St. John's, Durham's Creek, P. O. Chocowinity.

Windley, Robert Bowen, officiating in Zion Church, Beaufort Co., P. O. Bunyon, Beaufort County.

CANDIDATES FOR PRIEST'S ORDERS.

The Rev. S. S. Barber, The Rev. H. H. Phelps,
P. W. Cassey, F. N. Skinner.
Henry S. McDuffey,

POSTULANTS.

J. B. Gibble, E.

E. F. Rice.

EXAMINING CHAPLAINS.

The Rev. Jas Carmichael, D. D., The Rev. T. M. Ambler.

The Rev. E. M. Forbes, The Rev. V. W. Shields.

The Rev. N. C. Hughes, D. D., The Rev. N. Harding.

Parishes, Missions, Delegates and Alternates.

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Tist of Parishes and Aission Stations

IN THE DIOCESE,

AND OF DELEGATES ENTITLED TO SEATS IN THE CONVENTION OF 1886.

[Those marked thus * were present. Mission Stations in italics.]

Aurora Mission.

Holy Innocents, Avoca.

St. Thomas' Church, Bath.

James F. Carrow, John F. Harding, Joseph W. Crawley,

James Pilley.

Bayboro Mission.

St. Paul's Church, Beaufort.

Dr. J. L. Manney, A. C. Davis,

J. B. Gibble,*

E. F. Rice,

Alonzo Thomas,

J. L. Gibble,

J. C. Davis,

N. W. Taylor.

St. James' Church, Beaufort county.

D. W. Jarvis,

G. L. Swindell,

Thomas J. W. Llewellyn,

S. W. Clark.

Zion Church, Beaufort county.

O. H. P. Tankard, Benjamin Brady,

J. J. Cutler,

C. E. Tankard,

C. C. N. Cutler,

N. N. Cutler,

J. W. Alligood, Jesse Braddy.

Burgaw Mission, Pender county

St. Joseph's, Camden county.

Trinity Church, Chocowinity

Isaac W. Hughes,* Henry Wingate, Jr., Frederic Grist, Harvey R. Wright,

S B. Archbell, George W. Bright, Edgar Hatton W. H. Patrick

St. Paul's Church, Clinton.

Dr. A. Holmes. T. M. Ferrell.

J. A. Ferrell,* W. G. Hubbard *

St. Andrew's, Columbia

St. John's Church, Durham's Creek.

Edward Tripp, Ab. Tuten,

Thomas C. Butt Joseph L. Butt.

St. Paul's Church, Edenton.

William B. Shepard,* William J. Leary, Jr., Thomas Thompson, John G. Wood,

H. H. Page, William T. Warren: Frank Wood,* John H. Hall.

St. John Evangelist, Edenton.

John T. Page,

Anderson Luton.

Christ Church, Elizabeth City.

W. J. Griffin, T. S. Harney, Dr. W. W. Griggs, C. H Robinson.

James Vaughan, D. B. Bradford, F. M. Grice, J. W. Albertson, Jr.*

Fairfield, Hyde County Faison, Duplin county. Falkland, Pitt county. St. John's, Fayetteville.

S. J. Hinsdale, John H. Haigh, W. A. Guthrie, F. R. Rose.

R. P. Buxton, W. T. Campbell, A. B. Dangerfield, B. R. Huske.

Parishes, Missions, Delegates and Alternates.

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St, Joseph's Church, Fayetteville.

John S. Leary,
S. T. Evans,
F. P. Williston,
W. B. Barge,
T. H. McNeil,
George H. Williams.

St. Mary's Church, Gatesville.

T. H. Lassiter, John J. Gatling,
R. B. G. Cowper, Dr. R. C. Smith.
R. M. Reddick,

St. Peter's Gates county.

St. Stephen's Church, Goldsboro.

Dr. D. Cogdell,*

Col. G. W. Collier,

Dr. Thomas Hill,

I. F. Dortch,*

George C. Royall,*

George Blucher,

J. H. Hill,

B. M. Privett.

St. Paul's Church, Greenville.

Dr. W. M. B. Brown,

R. R. Cotten,

J. F. Joyner,

W. B. Brown,*

Col. Harry Skinner,
Charles Skinner,
L. V. Morrel,
Dr. Zeno Brown.

St. Martin's Church, Hamilton.

G. C. Lamb,* Dr. H. I. Clark,
R. H. Everett,* N. H. Sebrell,
J. P. Boyle, T. E. Darden.
James H. Martin.

Haw Branch, Beaufort county.

Church of the Holy Trinity, Hertford.

Dr. J. T. Smith,

James L. Skinner,

B. S. Skinner,

Joseph G. Granberry.

Parishes, Missions, Delegates and Alternates.

St. George's Church, Hyde county.

Henry S. Gibbs,
Dr. Milton Selby,
Dr. Edward Clark,
A. B. Tunnell,
W. P. Midyett,

Dr. Milton Selby,
J. C. McCloud,
S. T. Gaskins.

Jamesville, Martin county.

Juniper Bay, Hyde county.

St. Mary's Church, Kinston.

John C. Washington,
G. E. Kornegay,
G. E. Miller,
E. S. Laughinghouse,
J. P. Haskett,*
J. P. Tucker.

Holy Innocents Church, Lenoir county.

Col. N. B. Whitfield,*

Maj. D. S. Davis,

George Jones,

C. Turner,

J. H. Blount,

Bryan W. Blount,

R. A. Jones,

W. A. Jones.

St. John's Church, Makelyville.

M. Makely,

Dr. William C. Whitfield,*

James Adams,

George C. Newman,

A. J. Tooley,

A. J. Smith.

Marlboro, Pitt county.

St. Barnabas' Church, Murfreesboro.

St. John's, Newbegun.

Christ Church, Newbern.

Maj. John Hughes,*

H. R. Bryan,
George H. Roberts,*

M. D. W. Stevenson,

John Dunn,
R. H. Hilton,
Dr. J. B. Hughes,

Parishes, Mission, Delegates and Alternates.

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St. Cyprian's Church, Newbern.

John B. Brown,*
Abram A. Bryan,*
H. H. Thompson,
N. H. Styron,

Carleton E. Palmer, Robert R. Green, Mathew Ellison, P. W. Spruel.

St. John's Church, Pitt county.

W. S. Wooten,*
J. L. Tucker,
W. A. Pugh,
Fred. Harding,

J. E. May,
S. B. Kilpatrick,
E. E. Powell,
W. J. H. Laughinghouse.

St. Michael's, Pitt county.

Pantego, Beaufort county.

Grace Church, Plymouth.

F. A. Boyle, C. L. Pettigrew, W. H. Ward, L. I. Fagan,

L. A. Wood+on, J. B. Hilton, T. O. Vail.

Point Caswell, Pender county

Rockahock.

Christ Church, Rockfish.

St. Mark's Church, Roxabel.

St. David's Church, Scuppernong.

D. Spruill,
W. H. Hardison,
S. S. Woodley,
E. G. Eborn,

A. D. Owens,
A. L. Cahoon,
C. L. Pettigrew,
A. Collins.

St. Phillip's Church, Smithville.

St. Barnabas', Snow Hill.

St. John Evangelist, South Mills.
Swan Quarter, Hyde county

Grace Church, Trenton.

Joseph A. Smith.*

Edgar M. Foscue.

St Paul's, Vanceboro.

St. Peter's Church, Washington.

E. S. Hoyt, J. G. Bragaw, W. B. Morton, H. N. Blount.* H. F. Hancock, W. Z. Morton, A. M. Buchanan, Dr. Wm. A. Blount

St. Luke's Church, Washington county.

James A. Chesson, W. C. Downing, L. N. C. Spruill, Thomas W. Blount, William A. Hodges, William M. Chesson, John W. Gaylord, Thomas Chesson.

Church of the Advent, Williamston.

Wilson G. Lamb,* Jos. M. Siterson, Alexander Smith, Wheeler Martin, W. Z. Morton, Jr.

St. James' Church, Wilmington.

Dr. A. J. DeRosset,*
Col. John W. Atkinson,*
William Calder,*
Col. William L. DeRosset,*

Clayton Giles, William Latimer, Joshua G. Wright, Robert E. Calder,

St. John's Church, Wilmington.

W. H. Green,*
H. G. Smallbones,*
Duncan K. McRae,
Josh. T. James,

Walter Rutland,
O. P. Meares, Jr.,
J. J. Fowler,
F. W. Clark,

St. Paul's Church, Wilmington.

DuBrutz Cutlar, R. G. Rankin, R. E. Heide,* L. J. Poisson.

Parishes, Mission, Delegates and Alternates.

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St. Mark's Church, Wilmington.

H. D. Sampson, Valentine Howe,* John G. Geyer, Samuel Reid, Thomas Brinkley, Alex. Fenner.

St. Thomas' Church, Windsor.

D. C. Winston,

J. B. Gray,

J. A. Grant,

Edward Gray.

J. J. Jacocks, L. J. Webb,

St. John's Church, Winton.

Grace Church, Woodville.

Dr. John S. Griffin, Thomas W. Thompson. Scale of Assessments.

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Scale of Assessments,

FOR THE CURRENT YEAR UPON THE PARISHES, MISSIONS AND CONGREGATIONS OF THE DIOCESE.

Aurora	\$ 15 00	St. Barnabas', Murfreesboro\$	5	00
Avoca	· IO OO	Newbegun Creek Mission	5	00
St. Thomas, Bath	15 00	Christ Church, Newbern 2	225	00
Bayboro Mission	5 00	St. Cyprian's, Newbern	10	00
St. Paul's, Beaufort	30 00	Marlboro Mission, Pitt Co	5	00
St. James', Beaufort Co	12 00	St. John's, " "	30	00
St. John's " " Trinity, " " Zion, " "	15 00	Grace, Plymouth	20	00
Trinity, " "	40 00	Christ Church, Rockfish	25	00
Zion, " " " "	20 00	Roxabel Mission		00
Grace, Bertie Co	40 00		40	
St. Paul's. Clinton	30 00	Shoe Heel Mission		00
St. Paul's, Edenton	75 00	St. Philip's, Smithville	IO	
St. John Evangelist, Ed'nt'n	5 00	St. Barnabas', Snow Hill	5	00
Christ Church, E. City	50 00		10	
Fairfield Mission	10 00	Swan Quarter, Hyde Co	5	00
Faison Mission	10 00		10	00
St. John's, Fayetteville	200 00	Tunis Mills Mission	5	00
St. Joseph's, "	15 00	St. Paul's, Vanceboro	5	00
St. Mary's, Gatesville	15 00		00	
St. Peter's Mission, Gates Co	10 00	0 1 1 777 11 0	IO	00
St. Stephen's, Goldsboro	50 00	4 7	20	00
St. Paul's, Greenville	30 00	St James' Wilmington	50	00
St. Martin's, Hamilton	15 00	St. Paul's, " I	.00	00
Haw Branch Mission	2 00	St. John's, " I	10	00
Holy Trinity, Hertford	50 00	St. Paul's, " I St. John's, " I St Mark's "	20	00
St. George's, Hyde Co	30 00		40	
St. Mary's, Kinston	25 00	St. John's, Winton		
Holy Innocents, Lenoir Co	15 00			
St. John's, Makelyville	10 00	\$2 I	27	00
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The foregoing scale is only recommendatory in so far as applicable to Mission Stations.

Committee to Report at Next Council.

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Committee to Report to the Conneil

of 1887.

COMMITTEE APPOINTED ON THE MARY RUFFIN SMITH LEG-ACY TO THE DIOCESE OF NORTH CAROLINA:

> Maj. John Hughes, Hon. Geo. Davis, Hon. Duncan K. McRae.

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First Day. Organization.

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OF THE

Proceedings of the Convention of 1886.

FIRST DAY.

St. Stephen's Church, Goldsboro, N. C., Wednesday, May 26th, 1886.

The Third Annual Convention of the Protestant Episcopal Church, in the Diocese of East Carolina, assembled in St. Stephen's Church at 10 A. M.

The Rt. Rev., the Bishop of the Diocese, read the Litany and called the Convention to order.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following clergymen answered to their names:

The Rt. Rev. Alfred A. Watson, D. D.,

The Rev. T. M. Ambler,

" J. Carmichael, D. D.,

" R. B. Drane,

" E. M. Forbes,

" I. Harding,

" " N. Harding,

" T. B. Haughton,

" J. M. Hillyar,

The Rev. N. C. Hughes, D. D.,

" J. C. Huske, D. D.,

" H. M. Jarvis,

" W. H. Lewis,

" H. S. McDuffey,

" N. E. Price,

" V. W. Shields,

" R. B. Windley.

The roll of Delegates, who had presented certificates of election, was then called and the following answered to their names:

I. W. Hughes, J. W. Albertson Jr., G. C. Lamb, R. H. Everett, H. N. Blount, Dr. A. J. DeRosset, Col. J. W. Atkinson, William Calder, W. H. Green, R. E. Heide, John Hughes, I. F. Dortch, J. B. Brown, Valentine Howe, A. A. Bryan, William B. Shepard, Frank Wood, W. G. Hubbard, J. B. Gibble, E. F. Rice, J. A. Ferrell, Col. W. L. DeRosset, H. G. Smallbones, J. A. Smith, George C. Royal, J. P. Hasket, Col. N. B. Whitfield, Dr. W. C. Whitfield, W. S. Wooten, J. L. Tucker, W. G. Lamb.

A quorum being present, the Bishop declared the Convention duly organized.

On motion, the Convention took a recess until after Divine Service.

Morning Prayer was said by the Revs. V. W. Shields and N. Harding. The Sermon was preached by the Rev. Israel Harding, from II Cor., II chap., 16th verse: "And who is sufficient for these things?"

The offerings of the congregation were received for the Society for the Increase of the Ministry.

Committees. Treasurer's Report.

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The Holy Communion was celebrated by the Rt. Rev., the Bishop, assisted by the Rev. Drs. Hughes and Huske.

After Divine Service the Convention reassembled.

On motion of Rev. Dr. Hughes, the Rev. E. M. Forbes was unanimously elected President.

On motion, the Rev. N. Harding was unanimously elected Secretary.

The Bishop announced the following regular committees:

COMMITTEE ON ELECTIONS :

The Rev. R. B. Drane,

George C. Royall, R. H. Everett,

NEW PARISHES:

The Rev. V. W. Shields,

J. W. Albertson, Jr., Wilson G. Lamb.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

The Rev. T. B. Haughton,

H. N. Blount, S. H. Abbott,

COMMITTEE ON THE STATE OF THE CHURCH :

The Rev. W. H. Lewis, The Rev. N. E. Price, Col. Wm. L. DeRosset, William B. Shepard.

The Rev. Luther Eborn,

The Treasurer presented his report, which was, on motion, referred to the Committee on Finance. (See Appendix B.)

Rev. J. M. Hillyar moved that the thanks of the Convention, and of St. Stephen's Parish, Goldsboro, be given to the Rector and Choir of St. James', Wilmington, for their assistance in the Service this morning. Carried.

Committee on Canons. Report of Trustees.

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J.W. Albertson, Jr., moved that visiting clergy, and clergy belonging to this Diocese, but not entitled to seats, be invited to take honorary seats in this Convention. Carried.

On motion the Convention then adjourned to meet at 4 o'clock P. M.

Wednesday, 4 o'clock P. M.

The Bishop called the Convention to order.

The Bishop announced the Committee on Canons as follows:

COMMITTEE ON CANONS.

The Rev. J. C. Huske, D. D., The Rev. T. M. Ambler, The Rev. J. M. Hillyar, Dr. A. J. DeRosset, Maj. John Hughes.

The Bishop read the report of the Trustees of the Diocese as follows:

The Trustees of the Diocese respectfully report that in obedience to instructions of the last Diocesan Convention—the conditions specified having been such-they have purchased for the Diocese the one-fourth interest of Col J. W. Atkinson in the property—known as the Episcopal residence, in the city of Wilmington-paying therefor the sum of \$1,250 00, out of monies realized from the cash and securities belonging to the Permanent Episcopal Fund of the Diocese—and that a proper deed therefor has been executed and registered in the Register's office of New Hanover county. The Diocese is therefore owner of one-half of the said property, the parishes of .St. John and St. Mark owners of the other two-fourth parts, having offered the use of the property so far as their respective interests extend. to the Bishop of the Diocese as long as he may reside therein, arrangements have been made by the Bishop for removal to the same in the course of the present year. The Trustees have directed the maintenance of an insurance against fire in favor of the premises. But it will also be necessary to put some repairs upon the house, and for this they ask the authority of the Convention.

The Board has received during the past year a title deed to a half-lot in the town of Fairfield, Hyde county, for the erection thereon of a Church. The deed has been duly registered in the office of the Register of Deeds, at Swan Quarter, Hyde county.

The Trustees regret to report the failure of their appeal to the Diocese of North Carolina for the right of alternate nomination to the North Carolina Scholarship in the General Theological Seminary at New York. They are persuaded that a considerable proportion of the funds by which that Scholarship was founded was derived from this part of the State. There being a definite money income from the Scholarship fund, they are confident that had the matter been presented to the notice of the Diocesan Convention of 1883, which arranged the terms of division, there would have been no hesitation in including this fund among the divisable property of the Diocese.

The Trustees of the Seminary upon the presentation of the matter before them last Fall, expressed their approval of the measure. But the majority of the Convention of North Carolina, at its recent session took a different view of it.

To those who presented and advocated the claim of this Diocese before that body we owe our thanks, but we should not the less respect the honest convictions of those who view the subject differently.

The Board has to lament the loss by death of one of their number, Col. S. L. Fremont, who died suddenly in the city of Memphis a few weeks ago, a devoted Churchman and a zealous member of their body. They call attention to the necessity of filling the vacancy thus created.

Respectfully,

In behalf of the Board of Trustees,

A. A. WATSON, Chairman.

The Rt. Rev., the Bishop read the following communication from the Secretary of the Convention of the Diocese of North Carolina.

THE RT. REV. A. A. WATSON, D. D.,

Trustee of the Diocese of East Carolina.

REV'D AND DEAR SIR:—In accordance with a resolution passed in the Convention of the Church in the Diocese of North Carolina, held in Tarboro, N. C., 1886, instructing the Secretary to communicate to the Trustees for holding property for the Diocese of East Carolina, the action of this Con-

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vention about the "North Carolina Scholarship in the General Theological Seminary."

I respectfully append the following:

"Resolved, That in the opinion of this Convention there are no rights or claims of the Eastern Diocese upon the division of the North Carolina Scholarship in the General Theological Seminary."

Very truly yours in Christ,

GILBERT HIGGS, Secretary.

TARBORO, N. C., May 24th 1886.

Col. William L. DeRosset offered the following:

Resolved, That a committee of three be appointed to consider the claim, if any, of this Diocese to a division of the Scholarship of the General Theological Seminary, now held by the Diocese of North Carolina, and report what action should be taken by this Convention to secure their claim.

The resolution was adopted.

The Chair appointed as said committee Col. Wm. L. De-Rosset, Maj. John Hughes and I. F. Dortch.

Maj. Hughes offered the following:

Resolved. That a committee of three be appointed for the purpose of ascertaining what, if any, are the rights of this Diocese to the property devised by Miss Mary Ruffin Smith to the Diocese of North Carolina, by will published before the division of said Diocese into the two Dioceses of North Carolina, and East Carolina, and report to the next Convention.

Resolved further, That the Chairman of said committee shall be at liberty to draw upon the treasurer of the Diocese for any pecuniary expenses incurred in said investigations.

The resolutions were adopted.

The Chair appointed as said committee Maj. John Hughes, Hon. George Davis and Hon. Duncan K. McRae.

The Rev. W. H. Lewis moved that the Trustees of the Diocese be authorized to expend a sum not exceeding fifteen

hundred dollars, upon immediate necessary repairs to the Episcopal residence.

William Calder offered as an amendment that, provided, before expending any sum upon said property, it shall be understood that the Diocese is to have a lien upon the property for the money expended thereon.

W. H. Green, from St. John's Parish, made an offer from the vestry of said Parish, to sell their one-fourth interest in the building known as the Episcopal residence, for one thousand dollars.

The Rev. Dr. Carmichael made the same proposition on the part of St. Mark's Church, Wilmington.

Col. J. W. Atkinson moved as a substitute that the whole subject, including the propositions from St. John's and St. Mark's, be referred to a committee of three to report to-morrow. Carried.

The Chair appointed as said committee Rev. Israel Harding, Wilson G. Lamb and William Calder.

Dr. A. J. DeRosset moved that the Secretary be instructed to send greetings to the Convention of the Diocese of Maryland, assembled in the Church of the Epiphany, Washington, D. C.

Rev. Dr. Carmichael moved to amend by appointing a committee of two composed of Rev. V. W. Shields and Dr. A. J. DeRosset. The motion as amended was adopted.

Rev. Dr. Hughes read the following report from the Committee on Finance:

The Finance Committee respectfully report that they have examined the vouchers of the Treasurer of the Diocese, the securities of the Diocese in his hands, the balance of the cash on hand, and found them correct, and in accordance with his printed report.

- Dr. A. J. DeRosset moved that the report of the Committee on Canons be made the special order for to-morrow, immediately after the reading of the Bishop's address. Carried.
- W. H. Green moved that the Convention now go into the election of a Treasurer. Carried.
- Col. J. W. Atkinson nominated Dr. A. J. DeRosset. On motion the ballot was dispensed with, and he was unanimously elected.

Wilson G. Lamb offered the following resolution:

Resolved, That the Treasurer be authorized to pay the expenses of clergymen in attendance upon this Convention, who are in charge of Parishes, but not entitled to seats.

Carried.

On motion of Maj. Hughes the Convention adjourned to 8:30 o'clock P. M.

WEDNESDAY NIGHT, 8:30 P. M.

The Convention reassembled, and was called to order by the Bishop.

The time of this session was mainly given to reading and commenting upon Parochial reports.

Rev. W. H. Lewis moved that a committee be appointed to draft resolutions commemorative of the life and services of the late Rev. C. O. Brady. Carried.

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The Bishop appointed as said committee Rev. W. H. Lewis and Dr. A. J. DeRosset.

On Motion of Rev. T. M. Ambler, the Convention adjourned to meet at 9 o'clock to-morrow morning.

SECOND DAY.

THURSDAY MORNING, May 27th, 9 A. M.

The Rt. Rev., the Bishop offered prayers, and called the Convention to order.

After roll call the minutes of yesterday's session were read, amended and approved.

W. H. Green offered the following:

Resolved, That a committee of two laymen and one clergyman be appointed to draft suitable resolutions expressive of the sense of this Convention at the lamented death of Col. S. I. Fremont.

Carried.

The Chair appointed as such committee Rev. Dr. James Carmichael, Col. J. W. Atkinson and William Calder.

The Rev. W. H. Lewis made the following report:

The committee appointed to draft a suitable minute in recognition of the life and service in this Diocese of the Rev. C. O. Brady, lately deceased would respectfully report the following.

"The hand of God over-ruling all things for the welfare of His Holy Church, has taken from our midst our brother beloved, and faithful—the Rev. C. O. Brady—for so many years the minister in charge of St. Mark's Parish, Wilmington. We have faith to believe that in this, as in all things, "He hath done all things well."

"We fully realize the loss of the Diocese and of the Parish, and expressing

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this feeling, are yet ready to believe that the quiet, consistent example and manly character of our brother, are treasures worth the preserving.

"We therefore respectfully move, that a page of the journal be set apart for commemoration of the virtues and faithful services of Mr. Brady, the matter to be prepared by the special committee just appointed, and placed in the Secretary's hands in time for publication."

Respectfully,

W. H. I.EWIS, A. J. DEROSSET.

The resolution was adopted.

William Calder moved that the Convention call upon the Committee on the State of the Church to report at 8:30 o'clock this evening. Carried.

Col. W. L. DeRosset, from the Committee on the Scholarship in the General Theological Seminary, presented the following report:

May 26th, 1886.

Your Committee appointed to consider the claim, if any, of this Diocese to an interest in the Scholarship held by the Diocese of North Carolina in the General Theological Seminary, beg leave to report, that upon due consideration of the matter they are of the opinion that farther action should be postponed for the present, and recommend the adoption of the following resolutions:

Resolved, That action upon the question of the Scholarship in the General Theological Seminary be postponed.

Resolved. That the whole matter be referred to the committee on the Mary R. Smith legacy to the Diocese of North Carolina, with instructions to report to the next Annual Convention.

WILLIAM L. DEROSSET, ISAAC F. DORTCH, JOHN HUGHES,

Resolutions adopted.

The Bishop read his Annual Address. [See Appendix, A—I.]

On motion of Col. J. W. Atkinson, that part of the Bishop's Address relating to the revision of the Prayer Book was referred to a committee of three to report at this Convention.

The committee appointed were Rev. W. H. Lewis, Rev. Dr. Hughes and Dr. A. J. DeRosset.

Rev. R. B. Drane moved that the Bishop's Address be referred to the Committee on the State of the Church. Carried. William Calder offered the following resolution:

Resolved, That the clergy in charge of Parishes and Mission Stations, and lay readers therein, are requested to read to their respective charges, as early as practicable, those portions of the Bishop's Address not included in his statistical statement of official acts.

Carried.

The Rev. Dr. Huske, Chairman, presented the report of the Committee on Canons.

Rev. William H. Lewis moved that the order of the day be suspended, in order to take final action upon the adoption of the Constitution. Carried.

On motion of Maj. John Hughes, the Constitution as adopted by the Convention of 1885, was ratified by this Convention.

- J. W. Albertson, Jr., asked to be excused from further attendance on the sessions of the Convention after this afternoon. Permission was granted.
- J. W. Albertson, Jr., moved that the Treasurer be authorized to pay the expenses of the Rev. Robert J. Walker in attending the Convention, notwithstanding the Canon requiring the attendance of the clergy until the close of the Convention. Carried.

On motion of Col. W. L. DeRosset, the Convention went into a Committee of the Whole for the consideration of the report of the Committee on Canons.

Committee rose, reported progress, and asked leave to sit again.

The Convention then adjourned to 5 P. M..

THURSDAY, 5 P. M.

The Convention reassembled, and was called to order by the Bishop.

On motion of Rev. Dr. Huske the Convention went into Committee of the Whole, to resume the consideration of the report of the Committee on Canons.

The Committee rose and reported the completion of its work.

On motion the Canons and Rules of Order as reported were adopted,

- Dr. A. J. DeRosset moved that the Constitution, Canons, and Rules of Order as adopted take effect from and after the adjournment of this Convention. Carried.
- Dr. A. J. DeRosset moved that the Secretary be directed to print one thousand extra copies of the Constitution, Canons and Rules of Order, in pamphlet form, as adopted by this Convention, in addition to those printed in the Journal. Carried.
 - Rev. V. W. Shields, from the committee appointed to send

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greetings to the Diocese of Maryland, reported the following:

To the Rt. Rev., the Bishop of Maryland, Church of the Epiphany, Washington, D. C.:

The Convention of the Diocese of East Carolina, organized in 1883 sends cordial greetings to the Convention of the Diocese of Maryland, organized in 1783. The youngest to the oldest of the Dioceses.

V. W. SHIELDS, A. J. DEROSSET.

W. H. Green and R. H. Heide were excused from further attendance on the sessions of the Convention.

The Rev. Dr. Hughes presented and read the following report from the Committee on Finance:

The Finance Committee, to whom was referred the whole subject of arrears and assessments due from Parishes with power to effect a settlement on the best terms possible, respectfully report that they have taken the matter in hand, and have conferred with all the Parishes concerned, or with their representatives. All those reported as delinquent in the report of the Treasurer for the year 1885, have paid their arrears in full, except St. Thomas, Bath; St. James', Beaufort county; St. Paul's Beaufort; St. Paul's, Clinton; Christ Church, Elizabeth City; St. Mary's, Gatesville; St. Stephen's, Goldsboro; St. Luke's, Washington county; Church of the Advent, Williamston; St Barnabas', Snow Hill; St. John's, Durham's Creek; Grace Church, Plymouth, and St. John's, Winton. The arrearages of two of these Parishes, viz.: St. John's, Durham's Creek, and Grace Church, Plymouth, are inconsiderable in amount, and probably arise simply from want of promptness in paying their last year's assessment. A final adjustment of the arrears of Trinity Church, Hertford, and of St. John's, Wilmington, has been made, by remitting \$250 00, on those of the former, and \$200 00 on those of the latter.

Representatives of Christ Church, Elizabeth City; of St. Stephen's, Goldsboro; of St. Paul's, Wilmington, and of St. Luke's, Washington county, promise an earnest effort to gradually pay their arrears in full, in the course of a few years.

The Committee have agreed to a reduction of the arrears of St. Thomas',

Bath, to \$58 25; of St. James', Beaufort county, to \$52 80. of the Church of the Advent, Williamston, to \$30 00, in consideration of similar pledges that efforts will be made to gradually liquidate them. In consideration of statements received from representatives of St. Mary's, Gatesville, and St. Paul's, Beaufort, the arrears of the former have been reduced by your Committee to \$40 00, and those of the latter to \$70 00.

Owing to circumstances altogether peculiar, it has been deemed advisable to cancel the arrears of St. John's, Winton, entirely.

Inasmuch as the arrears of St. Paul's, Clinton, and St. Barnabas, Snow Hill, are small in proportion to the number of Communicants and probable ability of the Parish, no deduction is proposed by the Committee.

Changes made in the assessments on some of the above Parishes will be reported in the general scale of assessments.

The effect of the concessions made by the Committee will be to reduce the gross amount of the arrearages on the Parishes from \$1 687 33, as reported by the Treasurer, to \$1 231 40.

N. COLLIN HUGHES, Chairman.

On motion the Convention adjourned until 8:30 o'clock this evening.

THURSDAY EVENING, 8:30 P. M.

The Convention reassembled and was called to order by the President, Rev. E. M. Forbes.

Col. W. L. DeRosset, from the Committee on the State of the Church, presented and read the following report:

The Committee on the State of the Church would respectfully report that they have examined the statistics of the Diocese, as given in the address of the Bishop, and in the forty Parochial Reports of the clergy, as placed in their hands, with the following results: They find reported 368 Baptisms as against 353 last year; 286 Confirmations, a gain of 119, or 58 per cent upon last year; Communicants 2,650, a gain of 281, or 11 per cent. in the year. This, with addition of five Parishes and Mission Stations, not reporting to the last Convention. The contributions for parochial purposes

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amount to \$25 354 99, a gain of \$2 479 95, or about 11 per cent. Extra Parochial, including Diocesan, \$4 444 26, a gain of \$956 70, or nearly 28 per cent. Total contributions for all purposes, \$29 826 22, an aggregate gain for the year, of \$4 965 58, or 20 per cent.

For Diocesan Missions the reports give \$1 176 17, as against \$684 92 of last year, a gain of \$491 25; upon which the Diocese is certainly to be congratulated. But when it is remembered that out of the twenty-six clergy working at their various posts, one-half, at least, are wholly or partially dependent for their support upon missionary relief, it will be seen how totally inadequate the supply is to the demand. Besides this, there is a score of new places awaiting the services of the Church, and two whole counties entirely untouched. The increase in the mission contributions this year is, we believe, largely due to the adoption of a very simple, but efficacious system in one of the larger Parishes, which increased its offerings very considerably. It is believed that if this system, modified to suit differing circumstances, could be generally adopted the gain would be comparatively enormous.

The Committee would also, while the mission funds are so inadequate, recommend the adoption of a system of Parochial missions, whereby the clergy, in bodies of four or five, as might be found convenient. could visit and hold services in outlying towns and hamlets.

The plan of Lenten Sunday School offerings experimented upon in this past year, should in their opinion be made a permanent feature of Diocesan work; and it is confidently believed that if full notice could be given to all the Rectors, and their co-operation secured, these offerings could soon be made to yield the entire support of one or more missionaries, or give much needed relief in cases well known to the Bishop.

Your Committee would respectfully suggest that this Convention make an appropriation for the mission work of the Diocese for the coming year, and that the proportion of each Parish and Mission in this sum be named to them by the Executive Missionary Committee as an ideal, to be reached if possible.

They would name to the Convention \$2000 00 as an appropriation not fully up to the needs of the case, but perhaps possible of realization, for this year,

It is also, in their judgment, much to be desired that the Mission work

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and needs of the Diocese be made a much more prominent feature of the Convention exercises than has been the case heretofore.

Respectfully submitted,

WM. H. LEWIS, LUTHER EBORN, N. E. PRICE, W. B. SHEPARD, WM. L. DEROSSET.

Committee.

After a discussion of the foregoing report, and other remarks upon the State of the Church, the Rev. W. H. Lewis offered the following:

Resolved, That this Convention names \$2000 oo as the amount needed for the purpose of Diocesan Missions, and that the Executive Missionary Committee be instructed to apportion this amount among the Parishes and Missions of the Diocese, and inform the Rectors and Ministers in charge, of the results of their apportionment.

Carried.

On motion of Col. W. L. DeRosset the Convention adjourned until to-morrow morning, at 9 o'clock.

THIRD DAY.

FRIDAY, May 28th, 9 A. M.

The Bishop offered prayers and called the Convention to order.

On motion the calling of the roll was dispensed with.

The minutes of yesterday's session were read, amended, and approved.

Report of Standing Committee.

The Bishop read the following telegram from the Convention of the Diocese of Maryland:

WASHINGTON, D. C., May 27th, 1886.

The Rt. Rev. Bishop, East Carolina:

The Diocese of Maryland most cordially reciprocates the greetings of the Convention of the Diocese of East Carolina, her younger sister in the family of the Diocese, and invokes upon her the blessing and guidance of the Chief Bishop and Shepherd of the Church. "A little one shall become a thousand."

J. E. GRAMMAR,
J. C. BANCROFT DAVISON.

Committee.

Dr. A. J. DeRosset asked and obtained unanimous consent to suspend the order of business in order to reconsider the adoption of Canon XII.

On motion the action of the Convention in adopting Canon XII was reconsidered, and the Canon as altered and amended was adopted.

Rev. T. M. Ambler read the report of the Standing Committee as follows:

DIOCESE OF EAST CAROLINA.

ANNUAL REPORT OF THE STANDING COMMITTEE TO THE CONVENTION OF 1886.

The Standing Committee respectfully report that their first meeting after their election was held May 15th, 1885, in St. Mary's Church, Kinston, all the members being present. Rev. J. C. Huske was re-elected President and Dr. A. J. DeRosset Secretary.

July 1st, 1885. The Canonical Testimonial was given, recommending the Rev. Eli Chrysostom Burr, Deacon, for ordination to the Priesthood.

May 27th, 1886. Consent was unanimously given to the consecration of the Rev. Edwin Gardner Weed, Rector of the Church of the Good Shepherd, Augusta, Ga., as Bishop of the Diocese of Florida.

J. C. HUSKE, President.

Rev. V. W. Shields moved that the portion of the Bishop's address referring to an Appellate Court be referred to the Committee on Canons, to report at this Convention. Carried.

Messrs. G. C. Lamb and R. H. Everett were excused from further attendance.

Maj. Hughes moved that the Convention continue in session until business be disposed of. Carried.

Messrs. W. B. Shepard and Frank Wood were excused from further attendance.

W. B. Shepard moved that this Convention hold its next session in St. Paul's Church, Edenton, on the third Wednesday in May, 1887. Carried.

Dr. Carmichael moved that the Convention now go into the regular elections. Carried.

Col. J. W. Atkinson was elected a Trustee of the Diocese in place of the late Col. S. L. Fremont.

The Bishop announced the following as the

FINANCE COMMITTEE:

Rev. N. C. Hughes, D. D.,

Rev. James Carmichael, D. D.,

William Calder,

H. G. Smallbones.

The tellers reported the following persons elected as the

STANDING COMMITTEE:

The Rev. N. C. Hughes, D. D., Dr. A. J. DeRosset, The Rev. Joseph C. Huske, D. D., Maj. John Hughes. The Rev. Thomas M. Ambler, D. D.,

Committees and Delegates.

The following were elected as the

EXECUTIVE MISSIONARY COMMITTEE:

The Rev. N. Harding,

E. S. Hoyt,

The Rev. V. W. Shields,

G. H. Roberts,

John S. Long.

The following were elected as the

EDUCATION COMMITTEE:

The Rev. T. M. Ambler,

William Calder,

H. G. Smallbones.

The following were elected as the

CHURCH BUILDING COMMITTEE:

The Rev. R. B. Draue,

F. A. Boyle.

The Rev. T. B. Haughton,

The following were elected as

CLERICAL DEPUTIES TO THE GENERAL CONVENTION.

The Rev. Joseph C. Huske, D. D.,

The Rev. N. Collin Hughes, D. D.,

The Rev. Nathaniel Harding,

The Rev. Wm. H. Lewis,

The following were elected as

LAY DEPUTIES TO THE GENERAL CONVENTION:

A. J. DeRosset, M. D.,

Col. J. W. Atkinson,

Maj. John Hughes,

Wilson G. Lamb.

The following were elected as

SUPPLEMENTARY CLERICAL DEPUTIES:

The Rev. V. W. Shields.

Rev. R. B. Drane,

The Rev. I. Harding,

Rev. J. M. Hillyar,

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The following were elected as

SUPPLEMENTARY LAY DEPUTIES:

W. B. Shepard, R. R. Cotten,

F. A. Boyle, J. C. McRae.

Rev. T. M. Ambler read the following report from the Education Committee:

The Committee on Education fund respectfully report that during the last year the following sums were disbursed:

To Mr. F. W. Skinner		
" Mr. W. H. Barber	25	00
" Mr. Alex. F. Moore	20	00
For the use of students in charge of Rev. Mr. Forbes	20	00
Commissions	4	o8
Balance on hand	184	26
	104	20

T. M. AMBLER.

Rev. W. H. Lewis, from the Committee to whom was referred the notification of proposed alterations in the Prayer Book, made the following report:

Report, That it is the sense of this Convention that, if it is decided by the General Convention, that all the amendments to the report of the Prayer Book Revision Committee must be adopted, or that none can be, this Convention does not approve of the adoption of these amendments as a whole, and that this Convention believes that it is within the power of the General Convention to adopt any one of the amendments, without committing the General Convention to the adoption of the whole matter of the report.

The resolution was adopted.

Rev. V. W. Shields read the report from the Executive Missionary Committee:

The Committee held a meeting at Newbern, May 19th, 1885, at which time there was a credit balance to Current Missionary Fund of \$720 00, and

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made appropriation to the amount of \$900 00, to be paid in part, directing the Treasurer to remit balance as funds come into his hands for the purpose.

Also appropriations of \$100 00 each were made to the work, within the Convocation of Newbern, and to that within the counties, Perquimans. Gates and Hertford, conditioned upon the funds being sufficient, after meeting in full the appropriations before made.

Appropriations amounting to \$900 00 in all, have been paid to the clergymen doing missionary work within the Diocese, as shown by the Treasurer's report.

The Treasurer's report shows a balance of \$519 oo to the credit of the Missionary Fund, at the close of the fiscal year ending April 1st, 1886, being \$32 96 less than the balance at the end of the year 1884-'85. Yet the appropriations have been \$215 oo more than those of 1884-'85. The total receipts for the past year have been \$912 67, including collections by the Bishop, as against \$1134 97 for 1884-'85, and of this amount \$400 00 were contributed by one Parish.

The receipts then for the past year are \$222 30 less than for the preceding year, while the balance is nearly the same.

The Committee approve of the enrollment plan, and earnestly recommend to the clergy and congregations the effort proposed to the Diocese, of increasing the Mission Fund to \$2000 00, with the hope of making it possible to add to the small stipends of the Missionary clergy, and it is its sense that these stipends shall be increased in preference to diverting the Fund to near objects.

Respectfully submitted,

N. HARDING, Chairman.

V. W. SHIELDS,

G. H. ROBERTS.

Rev. W. H. Lewis moved that the thanks of this Convention be extended to the rector, wardens, vestry and congregation of St. Stephen's Parish, and to the citizens of Goldsboro, for the hospitality shown to this body. Carried.

On motion of Rev. W. H. Lewis the Treasurer was instructed to pay the sexton of St. Stephen's Church \$5 00.

Col. W. L. DeRosset moved that 750 copies of the Journal

of the Convention be published, and that the statistics from the Parochial reports be printed therein in tabular form, followed by the remarks appended to said reports. Carried.

Rev. Dr. Huske submitted the following report:

The Committee on Canons, to whom was referred that portion of the Bishop's address in regard to an Appellate Court, respectfully report the following resolution:

Resolved, That it is the sense of this Convention that an Appellate Court should be established by the General Convention of the Church.

The resolution was adopted.

Rev. T. B. Haughton read the following report from the Committee on Unfinished Business:

The Committee on Unfinished Business respectfully report that no action has been taken in regard to the resolution offered by Col. J. W. Atkinson, which will be found on page 22 of the Journal of 1883 and 1884, which reads as follows:

"Resolved, That a committee of three, of which the Bishop shall be the chairman, be appointed to inquire and report to the Convention of this Diocese at its next session, a plan for the formation of a league or brother-hood to aid the families of deceased clergymen in this Diocese,"

We find that no action in regard to this resolution has been taken.

T. B. HAUGHTON, Chairman.

On motion the committee was discharged.

The committee to whom was referred the resolution in regard to repairing the Bishop's residence, and the propositions of St. John's and St. Mark's Parishes to sell their interests in the same to the Diocese, reported as follows:

Resolved, That the whole subject of the purchase of the interests of the Parishes of St. John and St. Mark, in the Episcopal residence, and of the repairs to be made upon the said property, be referred to the Trustees of the Diocese, with full power to determine upon the course best to be taken in

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the interest of the Diocese, and also with power to make such purchase and to make sale of any portion of the property (if purchased) which they may think it best to dispose of in that way, and to call upon the Treasurer for such sum out of the Permanent and Current Episcopal Funds as may be necessary for the purposes determined upon.

ISRAEL HARDING, Chairman.

The resolution was adopted.

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The Rev. Dr. Hughes presented and read the following report from the Committee on Finance:

The Committee on Finance respectfully report the following scale of assessments for the curment year upon the Parishes, Missions and Congregations of the Diocese: (see page 17.)

The foregoing is only recommendatory in so far as applicable to Mission Stations.

By comparison of this scale of assessments with that reported last year by the Treasurer, it will appear that reductions in the assessments have been made in behalf of the Parishes of Holy Trinity, Hertford; St. Paul, Wilmington; St. Thomas, Bath; St. James, Beaufort county; Christ Church, Elizabeth City; St. Joseph, Fayetteville; St. Mary, Gatesville; Advent, Williamston; St. John, Winton; St. Paul, Beaufort, and St. John, Pitt county, amounting in the gross to \$157 oo. On the other hand, assessments have been made upon nineteen Missions and congregations, aggregating \$142 oo. Hence it will appear that the entire amount assessed for the current year is fifteen dollars less than that assessed for last year. Pledges, however, have been given the committee by representatives of various Parishes that increased efforts will be made to diminish the arrearages, so as to incease the annual income on the assessments to about \$220 00 more than the amount fixed in the scale of assessments. This, if complied with, will make the entire annual amount, to be expected for several years to come, about \$2 350 00. Your committee are deeply sensible of the necessity of guarding as far as possible against any reduction in the scale of assessments. For, although, as stated in the Treasurer's report, \$402 13 have been transferred to the credit of the Permanent Episcopal Fund during the past fiscal year, still it must be remembered that \$276 oo of this amount was derived from payments on arrearages, and that of the income from the Permanent Episcopal Fund, and from the assessment combined there was but a small

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balance after the payment of the necessary expenses of the Diocese. It must also be considered that while the income from the Permanent Fund will probably decrease in the immediate future, owing to the tendency to lower rates of interest, and from other causes, the expenses of the Diocese for the current year will be considerably increased by dues incurred in connection with the approaching General Convention.

Your committee deeply deplore the meagreness of the contributions to Diocesan Missions on the part of the Parishes generally, except in the case of St. James', Wilmington, which has contributed, according to the Treasurer's report, \$400 00 to this object; while the whole Diocese beside (outside of collections at the Bishop's visitation) have contributed only \$157 00. This latter amount has been forwarded from eighteen out of thirty-six Parishes assessed, while the remaining seventeen do not appear to have contributed anything. The number of Parishes contributing to the Relief and Education Funds slightly exceed those of last year, while there is falling off in the number of contributors to the Church Building Fund.

The committee beg leave to recommend to the several Parishes the adoption of the envelope system in raising funds for Parochial and other purposes, which has been already in use so long and successfully in several leading Parishes as to demonstrate its value. It consists in the procurement of individual pledges for the payment of a certain sum weekly, which sums may be collected in envelopes at each service, or paid to the Parochial Treasurer as they may select.

N. COLLIN HUGHES, Chairman.

Rev. R. B. Drane presented and read the following report from the Church Building Committee:

The Church Building Committee has received from the vestry of St. Paul's Parish, Greenville, the gift of architectural drawings for a Church. Amount to credit of Committee on May 25th, 1886, \$49 15.

REV. R. B. DRANE, for Committee.

The minutes of the day's session were read, corrected and approved.

It was moved that after suitable devotions the Convention adjourn sine die.

The Gloria in Excelsis was sung, prayers were offered by the Bishop, who pronounced the Benediction, and the Convention adjourned *sine die*.

NATHANIEL HARDING, Secretary

APPENDIX A.

EPISCOPAL ADDRESS.



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Bishop's Address.

BRETHREN OF THE CLERGY AND LAITY:

In obedience to the law of the Church, I make the following report of the State of the Diocese and of my own Official acts during the past Conventional year:—

I have been everywhere cordially aided in the services by the local and neighboring clergy, for which aid they have my hearty thanks. As however the enumeration of the names of the assisting clergy on each occasion is not essential to the integrity of this report, while adding seriously to its volume, I hope my clerical brethren will not think me deficient in courtesy, if I content myself for the most part with this general recognition of the help they have universally and cheerfully given me.

1885. During the Session of the Diocesan Convention in May 1885, assisted by the Rev. the clergy of the Diocese, I officiated in S. Mary's, Kinston, five times—celebrating twice.

May 16th: I officiated at Evening Prayer in S. Mary's, Kinston, Rev. N. Harding preaching.

May 17th, Sunday after Ascension, I made my Official visit to the same parish officiating three times, catechising the children, preaching once, celebrating the Holy Communion, Confirming 11 Whites and addressing the candidates. At the

night service, Rev. Mr. Forbes preached. Previous to the Confirmation Service, at the request of the Rector, I met the class to be confirmed, for the purpose of giving them special preparatory instruction. This has been done on several occasions, I hope to good effect. It has, at least, the advantage of bringing the Bishop into closer and more real relations to his people as their Chief Pastor.

May 19th. I admitted Claudius Emmet Sadler a candidate for Deacons' Orders.

May 20th. At a private house in New Berne, at the request of the Rector, I administered to a sick person.

May 21st. In the bounds of the old Parish of S. Thomas, Craven county, Rev. I. Harding minister in charge, I officiated at Morning Prayer in a Free Church, the old Church of the Parish having been destroyed during the war. A movement is on foot to rebuild it. Without help, however, it will be difficult for the feeble remainder of the congregation to do this. Yet is nothing impossible to those who have God for their helper.

May 22nd. At Trenton, in Jones county, I laid the corner stone of an edifice to be known as Grace Church. The mission in this town has a remarkable history. But two months had elapsed since the service of our Church had for the first time been heard in this place, and already the zeal and energy of the missionary—the Rev. Israel Harding—was rewarded by the gift of a good lot for a Church, and a liberal subscription toward its erection. I will have more to say of this mission hereafter.

The same day and place, at Evening Prayer, I officiated, preached and confirmed one white person.

May 24th, Whitsunday. At Holy Innocents, in Lenoir county, (Rev. I. Harding) I officiated at Morning Prayer, preached; celebrated and confirmed one person.

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The same day, I officiated in the Presbyterian Church at White Hall, at Evening Prayer, and preached.

May 25th, Whitsun-Monday. At La Grange (Rev. I. Harding) I officiated at Morning Prayer and preached.

The same day, at Evening Prayer, I officiated and preached in the Methodist Church at Lenoir Institute.

May 26th, Whitsun-Tuesday. In the Baptist Church at Snow Hill, (Rev. I. Harding) I officiated, preached and celebrated.

May 27th. In the Masonic Lodge at Marlboro, I officiated, preached and celebrated.

May 29th. At S. John's, Pitt county, (Rev. I. Harding) I officiated, preached and celebrated.

In the evening officiated and preached in a school-room in S. Michael's parish, Pitt county.

May 30th. In S. Paul's, Greenville, (Rev. N. C. Hughes, D. D., Rector) I met the Convocation of Edenton and officiated twice; Rev. Mr. Windley preaching in the morning, and Rev Mr. Drane at night.

May 31st, Trinity Sunday. In the same place, catechised the children, officiated and preached twice, celebrated and confirmed one white person.

The same day in the afternoon, laid the corner-stone for a new brick parish Church, to replace the smaller wooden building which for many years has sheltered its worshippers, but which has become too small for their increasing numbers

June 2nd. At S. Paul's, Vanceboro, (Rev. N. C. Hughes, D. D.) I officiated, preached, celebrated and confirmed two white persons.

June 4th. In a school-room at Aurora, (Rev. N. C. Hughes, Jr.) I officiated, preached, baptised three children and celebrated.

June 5th. In the Masonic Lodge at Bayboro, (Rev. N. C. Hughes, Jr.) I officiated, preached, baptized a child and celebrated.

June 6th. At a private house in S. John's parish, Durham's Creek, (Rev. N. C. Hughes, Jr.) I baptized a child.

The same day, at St. John's, Durham's Creek, officiated, preached and celebrated.

June 7th, Sunday, 1st after Trinity. At Zion Church, Beaufort county, (Rev. R. B. Windley) I officiated and preached at Morning and Evening Prayer, catechised the children and celebrated. Met the vestry,

June 8th. In S. Thomas', Bath, (Rev. N. E. Price) I officiated at Evening Prayer and preached.

June 9th. In the same place, I officiated, preached and celebrated.

June 10th. In S. James', Beaufort county, officiated, preached, celebrated and confirmed one white person.

In the afternoon at a private house in the same Parish I baptized a child.

At night, in the Baptist Church at Pantego, officiated and preached.

June 11th, Festival of S. Barnabas. In S. John's, Makely ville, (Rev. S. S. Barber) I officiated, preached and confirmed three white persons.

June 12th. I officiated in the Court House at Swan Quarter, (Rev. S. S. Barber) and preached.

June 13th. Officiated and preached in school-house at Juniper Bay, (Rev. S. S. Barber).

June 14th, Sunday, 2nd after Trinity. At S. George's Lake Landing, I officiated, preached, baptized an infant and celebrated.

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June 15th. In a hall at Fairfield, Hyde county, officiated and preached.

June 16th. In a private house at Fairfield, celebrated the Holy Communion.

The same day, in a private house at Swan Quarter, held a family service and celebrated the Holy Communion.

June 19th. At Trinity Church, Chocowinity, (Rev. N. C. Hughes, D. D.) I officiated, preached, celebrated and confirmed three white persons.

June 20th. At HawBranch School-house, (Rev. N. C. Hughes, Jr.) I officiated, preached, celebrated and confirmed two white persons.

June 21st, 3rd Sunday after Trinity. At S. Peter's, Washington, (Rev. N. Harding, Rector) I officiated and preached twice, catechised the children, celebrated, and confirmed ten white persons.

June 23rd. In the Union School-room at Jamesville, Martin county, (Rev. Thomas B. Haughton) I officiated, preached and celebrated.

June 26th. At S. Barnabas', Murfreesboro, officiated and preached twice; celebrated and confirmed one white person—having first baptized the candidate, at her own request, by immersion in the river Meherrin.

June 28th, 4th Sunday after Trinity. At S. John's, Winton, officiated and preached twice, baptized three children and celebrated.

June 30th. At S. Mary's, Gatesville, officiated, preached and celebrated.

July 1st. At S. Peter's Chapel, Gates county, officiated, preached, celebrated and confirmed one white person.

At night in S. Mary's, Gatesville, said Evening Prayer and preached.

July 3rd. At the house of J. T. Tunis, Esq., Tunis' Mills, said Morning Prayer and lectured.

July 5th, 5th Sunday after Trinity. At Holy Innocents, Avoca, (Rev. E. R. Sweetland) I officiated and preached twice, celebrated and catechised the children.

July 7th. At. S. Paul's, Edenton, (Rev. R. B. Drane) I officiated, preached and confirmed one white person.

July 8th. At Edenton, I laid the corner-stone of a new Church for the colored congregation of S. John Evangelist-It will be remembered that, in the summer of 1884, a tornado had entirely destroyed their newly built Church. Great praise is due to the congregation and the minister in charge, (the Rev. R. B. Drane) for the promptitude with which, with but little outside help, they have set themselves to work to replace their lost house of worship. They are, however, few and feeble. You, brethren, to whom God has given the means, should help them to carry on their work to completion.

The same day, assisted by Rev. Dr. Barten, of our sister Diocese of Virginia, as preacher, and by others of our own clergy, held service at S. Paul's for the colored congregation of S. John. Celebrated, and confirmed two colored persons.

July 9th. At Morning Prayer in S. Paul's, Edenton, officiated, preached, celebrated, and ordained to the Priesthood Rev. Eli Chrysostom Burr, in charge at South Mills, Camden county. I was assisted in the ordination service by Rev. Messrs. O. S. Barten, D. D., R. B. Drane and E. R. Sweetland.

July 10th. At Holy Trinity, Hertford, officiated, preached and celebrated.

July 12th, 6th Sunday after Trinity. At the Hotel at Nags, Head, officiated and preached twice.

July 13th. Said Morning Prayer, and made an address at Manteo, on Roanoke Island.

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A special interest attached to this service, inasmuch as it was held near by, if not upon, the spot where Sir Walter Raleigh's colony landed about this time in July 1584; and where, on that occasion, the service of our Church must have been heard for the first time. It is highly probable, that since then, there have been occasional repetitions of our service on Roanoke Island, especially during the late war. It would, I am sure, gratify the religious and patriotic sentiment of our Church, to learn the permanent establishment, upon the spot where Amadas and Barlow landed, of the form of worship in which the Christian's God was first worshipped there. Cannot this feeling be appealed to, to found a Mission which sooner or later must be planted on the island?

But a more pressing call for help comes to us from the opposite shore, at Nag's Head. Many of our people gather at that favorite watering place during the symmer. I was told that, on one day during the summer of 1884, there were a thousand visitors there. The surroundings of social life at such a place, while delightful, are not without spiritual risk, especially for the young. The perpetual call to pleasure and amusement, and the absence of the restraining influences of home, create a special danger for all such places of resort. The temptation to forget the law of the Lord's day is great, and is seriously increased by the absence of stated religious services. I do not desire to abate, in the least, the reasonable enjoyment of such an attractive resort. But Christians should remember that the law of God has no vacations, but is over them, during their seasons, of relaxation and pleasure, as much as in those of work and everyday life. He is no true follower of Christ who unthankfully leaves his Master, or his Master's law, out of the seasons of pleasure and relaxation, graciously permitted him by his Heavenly Father. But the weakness of human nature requires the support of ordinances, and of set times and places; and it would be, for those who have the means, a worthy way of bestowing them, to provide for the worship of God at such centres of human life and influence, and of temptation also. You will remember that I appealed for help in that work last year. During the summer, I requested several of our Christian ladies spending the season there to bear this matter in mind and act as collectors. The work was kindly undertaken. But so far the result has been infinitesimal, the whole amount realized up to this time not much exceeding fifty dollars. Let me hope that so important an object has not altogether failed to excite your interest, and that better times, for the husbandman, may bring correspondingly better results in this direction also.

July 15th. I officiated and preached at S. Paul's, Beaufort, (Rev. E. M. Forbes, Rector) and met the vestry.

July 19th, 7th Sunday after Trinity. At Christ Church, Elizabeth City, I officiated and preached twice, catechised the children, celebrated, and baptized four children. Met the vestry.

July 20th. At Grace Church, Plymouth, (Rev. E. R. Sweetland) I officiated and preached.

About this time, to my great regret and to that of his parishioners, the health of the Rev. Mr. Sweetland having given way, I gave him at his request letters dimissory to the Diocese of Wisconsin. This brother had come to us about Easter, an invalid in search of a parish and of a climate in which he could work efficiently. Since his arrival and up to the time of his departure, he was in charge of the work at Plymouth, Windsor and Avoca, at each of which posts he had done excellent work and had endeared himself greatly to the

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people. His departure from the Diocese is a serious loss to us.

July 26th, 8th Sunday after Trinity. At S. Paul's Wilmington, (Rev. T. M. Ambler, Rector) I officiated and preached twice.

July 27th. At a private house in Wilmington conducted the funeral of a young man.

August 2nd, 9th Sunday after Trinity. At S. Philip's, Smithville, officiated and preached twice and administered the Holy Communion.

August 9th, 10th Sunday after Trinity. In a hall at Cronly officiated and preached twice, and celebrated.

August 11th. At Waccamaw said Morning Prayer and lectured.

August 13th. At Oakland, in Bladen county, said Morning Prayer, preached and celebrated.

August 16th, 11th Sunday after Trinity. At S. Mark's, Wilmington, (colored) officiated, and preached twice and celebrated.

August 18th. At a private house in Wilmington administered the Holy Communion to a sick person.

August 23rd, 12th Sunday after Trinity At Mt. Lebanon Chapel, Wrightsville, officiated and preached twice.

August 30th, 13th Sunday after Trinity. In the Academy at Burgaw officiated and preached twice.

The same day celebrated in a private house.

Sept. 6th, 14th Sunday after Trinity. At S. Paul's, Wilmington, officiated and preached twice.

In the month of September, I attended the meeting of the Missionary Committee in New York and succeeded in securing a continuation of the appropriations hitherto made to this Diocese.

Just here let me say a word:—The General Missionary

Committee appropriates, annually, in aid of the work in this Diocese, \$1,680. The total response from our Diocese, as exhibited by our Journal of 1885, was, for *all* extra Diocesan work, \$639 28. The discrepancy was most observable as between the contributions from the Diocese toward the colored work in general, and the appropriations by the General Committee to our own colored work. Our contributions (made from two parishes only) amounted to \$530, while the Committee's appropriation to our own work was \$1,480.

During a portion of the month of September and October, while at the North, I was the recipient of hospitalities and brotherly courtesies from the Assistant Bishop of New York and the Bishop of Long Island, and from their clergy. I officiated and preached repeatedly. But as this was no part of my Diocesan work, it is not necessary for me to specify the occasions. Returning to North Carolina, I entered the Diocese, by the way of the Norfolk and Southern R. R., that I might be able to visit, on my way, the northern tier of counties, which had become so sadly destitute of clergy.

Oct. 15th. I officiated and preached in Holy Trinity, Hertford.

Oct. 17th. At Plymouth, in a private house, I confirmed a sick person. Though not, as I supposed, at the time actually moribund, in two hours thereafter he had passed on to the other life.

Oct. 18th, 20th Sunday after Trinity. I officiated and preached at Morning Prayer in the Church of the Advent, Williamston. At night, officiated and preached in S. Martin's, Hamilton.

Oct. 25th, 21st Sunday after Trinity. I officiated and preached, in the morning, in S. Pauls', Wilmington, and, in the

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afternoon, in the school-room of S. James' Home, baptizing in the latter place four children.

I feel that I cannot well speak too highly of the work at S. James' Home. My own connection with it, while Rector of S. James' Parish, enables me to speak with confidence of its blessed influence from its inception to the present time. It has not yet entered on its full work as a Home, though it has done much, from time to time, as a refuge for the sick, for the penitent and for orphans. But its great work has been that of an associate lay mission, visiting the poor, the sick and the penitent, in their homes, and taking the children into its arms and training them, both for their work on earth and for their home in Heaven. By these methods, it has contributed very largely to the Church's growth. Its instruction has been entirely free. It has not aimed at teaching the higher branches or accomplishments, which are often the causes of discontent, unfitting the learner for his or her own sphere of life, but only the plainer and more necessary parts of a sound English education. Along with its intellectual culture, has gone its moral and spiritual training, inculcating the principles of Religion as understood by our Church. For some years past, the whole work has been conducted by the Sisterhood of the Good Shepherd, on the invitation of the Bishop and of the Rector of S. James. The late wise and lamented Bishop Atkinson thought highly of the work, and frequently contributed, from his own means, to its maintenance. The whole movement, unlike that conducted by some other religious Sisterhoods, has been smooth and subordinate, recognizing fully the authority of the Bishop in his Diocese, and of the Rector in his parish. If the parish of S. James were not a part of itself, the Diocese might almost envy that parish its possession of such an agency. I could wish that it were Diocesan, but I

fear that it would not be nearly so well supported by the Diocese as it has been by S. James' parish. The greater breadth of the support would be more than counterbalanced by its attenuation.

Nov. 1st, 22d Sunday after Trinity and Festival of All Saints. I re-opened S. James' Parish Church after its recent enlargement and repairs, making use of the authority given me by the canons and preparing a suitable service—officiating, preaching and celebrating.

This church, to which I am attached by twenty years of service as its Pastor, has, under the stimulating influence of its new Rector, been greatly enlarged and beautified. A surpliced choir of more than forty men and boys has been organized, by whom the music of the Church is rendered in a manner spirited and inspiriting. I am told that one result has been, to induce more persons in the congregation to join in the singing—a very valuable result, if it be one. Those who can join in the musical praises of God, but do not, render a defective worship. I hold that nothing has more fatally tended to empty our church music of its devotional element than the relegation of this duty to the choir. The choir should lead, and not supplant the congregation. The case is still worse, when the choir forget their responsible position as conductors of the worship of God, and inattentive to the solemn service, and thoughtless of the meaning of the words they use, or of the awful majesty of Him to whom the words are addressed, regard only the music and its preparations. On the lips of an irreverent choir such words are mockery and insult. Better have no worship of song at all than have it rendered irreverently. All that the Church does, especially all that she does in the way of worship,

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should be real. Let us hope that the sin has been one of thoughtlessness, and not one of deliberate indifference.

In the afternoon of the same day I took part in the service at S. Paul's.

Nov. 23rd. 3rd Sunday after Trinity. I officiated at S. John's, Wilmington, in the morning, and at S. James' in the afternoon, preaching at the former service.

Nov. 9th. At this time I received into the Diocese, by letter dimissory from the Bishop of North Carolina, the Rev. Horace Grey Hilton, who took charge, immediately, of the work at Plymouth, Windsor and Avoca, recently surrendered by the Rev. E. R. Sweetland. We have reason gladly to welcome a brother so beloved and respected, and who in days gone by has done such good work with us, in the old undivided Diocese.

Nov. 12th. At a private House in Shoe Heel, I celebrated the communion and addressed the congregation.

At night, in a hall in the same place, I officiated and preached.

Nov. 14th. In private houses, at Rockfish, I baptized two children.

At night, in Christ Church, in the same place, I officiated and preached.

Nov. 15th. 24th Sunday after Trinity. In the same place, in Christ Church, I officiated, preached, catechised, baptized three children and celebrated. Met the vestry.

At night, in S. John's, Fayetteville, (Rev. Dr. Huske), I officiated, preached and confirmed twenty-six white persons. The next day I met the vestry.

Nov. 16th. At night, in S. Joseph's, (colored church), Fayetteville, (Rev. H. S. McDuffey, Deacon), I officiated, preached, confirmed four colored persons and met the vestry.

Nov. 17th. Admitted Rev. Henry S. McDuffey, colored, as a candidate for Priests orders.

At night, at S. John's, Fayetteville, I officiated and preached. *Nov. 18th.* At a private house, near Shoe Heel, baptized an infant and confirmed two white persons.

Nov. 21st. In Wilmington, took part in a funeral.

Nov. 22nd, 25th Sunday after Trinity. Took part in the service, at S. Paul's in the morning, and at S. James' in the evening.

Same day, confirmed a sick person (white) belonging to S. James' parish.

Nov. 24th. At Wilmington, took part in a funeral.

Nov. 26th, Thanksgiving Day. Officiated at S. Mark's, Wilmington, and preached.

Nov. 27th. At a private house in Wilmington, administered the communion to a sick person.

Nov. 29th, Advent Sunday, at S. Gabriel's, Faisons, officiated, preached, celebrated, and confirmed two white persons.

Dec. 1st. At S. Paul's, Clinton, officiated twice, preached once, celebrated, confirmed three white persons and met the vestry.

Dec. 2nd. In the same place, officiated at Morning Prayer. [About this time I had the sad news of the death of Claudius Emmett Sadler, a candidate for orders in this Diocese, and a young man of promise. I pray God to comfort his bereaved family.]

Dec. 4th. In S. Stephen's, Goldsboro, (Rev. J. M. Hill-yar), I officiated and preached. The next day met the vestry.

Dec. 6th, 2nd Sunday in Advent, at S. Stephens, Goldsboro, officiated and preached twice, catechised, celebrated and confirmed eight white persons.

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Dec. 7th. In Col. Davis' school-room, at LaGrange, said Evening Prayer and preached.

Dec. 8th. At a private house, at LaGrange, confirmed a sick person, white.

At night, officiated in the Baptist Church at Snow Hill.

Dec. 9th. In the same place, preached and celebrated.

In the afternoon, at a private house, in the same place, confirmed a sick person, white, and afterwards administered the communion.

Dec. 10th. In a school-room, in S. Michael's Parish, Pitt county, officiated, preached and celebrated.

Dec. 11th. In S. John's Church, Pitt county, officiated, preached and celebrated. After service met the vestry.

Dec. 13th, 3rd Sunday in Advent. In S. Mary's, Kinston, (Rev. I. Harding), I officiated and preached twice, catechised the children and celebrated. Met the vestry.

Dec 14th. In Holy Innocents, Lenoir county, I officiated, preached and celebrated.

Dec. 15th. Met the Convocation of Newbern at Trenton. At night I had the pleasure of taking part in the first service held in Grace Church, Trenton.

This is one of the most promising missions in the Diocese. The work, conducted thus far by the Rev. Israel Harding, has had a remarkable success. Scarcely ten months before this, in March, 1885, the service of our Church was heard for the first time. The missionary found four or five persons—all but one of them ladies—who had been connected with the church elsewhere. These made the nucleus of the new congregation. Steps were immediately taken toward the building of a church. A lot was given and a subscription opened. Two months afterward, in May, the corner-stone was laid, and now, in December, I returned to find a beautiful edifice, nearly com-

plete, ready for our services. It has been a most gratifying response to the faithful efforts of the missionary in charge, and a remarkable evidence of the zeal and activity of the few laymen upon the spot, who, almost entirely unaided, have accomplished the work. Such occurrences show what zeal and prompt action can accomplish, and give us reason to thank God and take courage.

Dec. 16th. In the new church at Trenton, officiated twice, preached once, celebrated and confirmed four white persons.

Dec. 17th. In the same place, confirmed one white person.

The same day, I organized the mission of Grace Church, Trenton, appointing the Warden and the Secretary and Treasurer.

Dec. 18th. Officiated, preached and celebrated in a free chapel, in what was formerly known as S. Thomas' Parish, Craven county; confirming one white person. At this point an attempt is being made to rebuild the church, which was burned during the war. The parish is an old one, having been admitted into union with the Convention in 1833.

At night, in a private house, baptized an adult.

Dec. 20th, 4th Sunday in Advent. In S. Paul's Parish, Beaufort, officiated and preached twice, catechised the children and confirmed one white person.

I also met the confirmation class of last year for instruction; and after night service, the communicants of the parish. The next day met the vestry.

Dec. 21st. At night, in S. Paul's Chapel, met the Parish Guild.

At this time, I received Elisha Forbes Rice and John Benners Gibble, as Postulants.

Dec. 22nd. In the same place, met the colored congregation, officiating and preaching.

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Dec. 23rd. At S. Cyprian's, Newbern, (colored), (Rev. P. W. Cassey), I officiated at Evening Prayer, preached, and confirmed sixteen colored persons.

Dec. 24th. At a private house in Newbern confirmed one person.

Dec. 25th, Christmas. In Christ Church, Newbern, officiated, preached and celebrated.

Dec. 26th, Festival, S. Stephen. Took part in the service at Christ Church.

Dec. 27th, 1st Sunday after Christmas. In the morning, officiated at S. Cyprian's, preached and celebrated. Met the vestry.

In the afternoon, in the same place, confirmed two colored persons.

The same afternoon, catechised the children, both at Christ Church and S. Cyprian's.

At night, officiated and preached in Christ Church, and confirmed eight white persons.

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Jan'y 3rd, 2nd Sunday after Christmas. Took part in the service, morning and night, at S. James', Wilmington, and celebrated.

Jan'y 10th, 1st Sunday after Epiphany. Officiated and preached, morning and night, at S. John's, Wilmington.

Jan'y 14th. Took part in a funeral at S. James'.

Jan'y 17th, 2nd Sunday after Epiphany. Officiated and preached, morning and evening, at S. Paul's, Wilmington.

Jan'y 24th, 3rd Sunday after Epiphany. In the morning, officiated, preached and celebrated at S. Marks, Wilmington.

In the evening, took part in the service at S. James'.

Jan'y 26th. I received into the Diocese, by letter dimissory from the Bishop of Central Pennsylvania, the Rev. John Scott. Mr. Scott takes charge of S. George's, Hyde county.

Jan'y 17th. Met the Convocation of Newbern, at Wilmington.

At Morning Prayer, in S. Pauls', I officiated and celebrated, Rev. Mr. Shields preaching.

At night, officiated at S. Marks', when addresses were made by Rev. Messrs. Lewis, Hillyar and myself.

Jan'y 18th. Took part in the early celebration at S. James', and in the night service, in the same place, and in Morning Prayer, at St. Johns', Rev. Mr. Hillyar preaching.

At the night service, at S. James', addresses on missionary matters were made by the Rev. Messrs. I. Harding, Carmichael and myself.

Jan'y 31st. 4th Sunday after Epiphany. At Morning Prayer, consecrated S. Josephs' Church, Fayetteville, assisted by Rev. Dr. Huske and Rev. Mr. McDuffey.

In the afternoon, officiated in the same place, at Evening Prayer: baptized a colored infant, and confirmed seven persons of color.

At night, in S. Johns', Fayetteville, officiated, preached and confirmed two white persons.

Feb. 1st. At a private house, in Fayetteville, confirmed one white person.

Same day, at night, officiated and preached in Christ Church, Rockfish.

Feb. 2nd. At Shoe Heel, at night, officiated and preached. Feb. 7th, 5th Sunday after Epiphany. Officiated and preached twice, in S. James', Wilmington, baptized a child and celebrated.

In the afternoon, at S. James' Home, officiated, preached,

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baptized one child and certified the baptism of two others.

Feb. 14th, 6th Sunday after Epiphany. In S. James', Wilmington, officiated twice, preached once, celebrated, and conducted a funeral.

Feb. 21st, Septuagesima. Officiated once and preached at S. Pauls', Wilmington.

Feb. 28th, Sexagesima. Officiated and preached at S. Johns', Wilmington, morning and night.

March 7th, Quiuquagesima. Officiated at S. Marks', Wilmington, twice, preached once, celebrated, and catechised the children.

At night, at S. James', took part in the service and preached.

March 10th, Ash Wednesday. Officiated, at S. Marks', in the morning, and preached.

In the afternoon, took part in the service at S. James'.

March 11th. At S. James', took part in the service.

March 14th, 1st Sunday in Lent. In the morning, at S. Marks', officiated and preached.

In the afternoon, at S. Pauls', took part in the service.

March 16th. At S. James', took part in the Morning Prayer.

March 18th. Took part in the morning service at S. James'.

Same day, at a private house, administered the communion to a sick person.

March 21st, 2nd Sunday in Lent. In the Church of the Advent, Williamston, (Rev. T. B. Haughton), officiated and preached twice, and celebrated. At the Rectory, in the afternoon, catechised the children.

March 22nd. In the Union School-house, at Jamesville, officiated and celebrated, Rev. N. Harding preaching.

March 23rd. At Zion Church, Beaufort county, (Rev. R.

B. Windley), I officiated, preached, celebrated, and confirmed one person. Met the vestry.

In the afternoon, at a private house, in the same parish, confirmed one white person and administered the communion.

March 24th. In S. Thomas', Bath, (Rev. N. E. Price), I officiated and preached twice, catechised the children, celebrated, and confirmed four white persons.

March 25th. In a free Church, at Yeatesville, officiated and preached.

At night, in the Baptist Church, at Pantego, officiated and preached.

March 26th. At S. James', Beaufort county, (Rev. N. E. Price), officiated, preached, celebrated, and confirmed two persons. Met the vestry.

March 27th. At S. Peters', Washington, (Rev. N. Harding,) took part in Evening Prayer.

March 28th, 3rd Sunday in Lent. In the same place, offlciated and preached twice, catechised the children, celebrated, and confirmed thirteen white persons.

March 29th. In the same place, took part in Evening Prayer. Met the vestry.

March 30th. Same place, took part in Evening Prayer.

April 1st. At S. Johns', Makelyville, (Rev. S. S. Barber), officiated and preached twice, baptized a white adult and confirmed two white persons.

April 2nd. At Swan Quarter, (Rev. S. S. Barber), at night, officiated, preached, and confirmed one white person.

April 3rd. At Juniper Bay, officiated and preached.

April 4th, 4th Sunday in Lent. In S. Georges', Hyde county, officiated twice and preached, catechised the children, celebrated, and confirmed two white persons. Met the vestry. Here, I met for the first time, the Rev. John Scott, who had

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recently taken charge of the parish, and whom I had received by letter from the Bishop of Pennsylvania.

April 6th. In a hall, at Fairfield, officiated, preached, and confirmed four persons.

Afterwards, in a private house, celebrated the Holy Com-

In this place a lot has been purchased, and it is hoped that, before long, a church may be built.

April 8th. In a hall at Aurora, (Rev. H. H. Phelps,) I officiated at Evening Prayer. Rev. H. H. Phelps preaching.

April 9th. In the same place, officiated at Morning Prayer preached and celebrated. Met the officers of the mission. In this place there is an unfinished church. I hope that, upon my next visit, it may be ready for occupation.

The same day, at night, officiated in the Masonic Hall at Bayboro, (Rev. H. H. Phelps), and baptized two adults. Rev. Mr. Phelps preached.

April 10th. In the hall at Bayboro, officiated, preached, baptized a white infant, celebrated, and confirmed four white persons.

April 11th, 5th Sunday in Lent. At S. Johns', Durham's Creek, officiated and preached at Morning Prayer, celebrated, and confirmed three white persons.

In the afternoon, at a private house, baptized four white children.

Same day, at another private house, administered the communion to a sick person.

Same day, at night, at a private house at Edward's Mill, officiated and preached. The house was crowded beyond its capacity, so that many remained on the outside. Rev. Mr. Phelps, who has been holding service there of late, tells me that this has been always the case.

April 12th. At a private house in S. Johns' Parish, Durham's Creek, administered the communion to a sick person.

The same night, at the house of Rev. Dr. Hughes, at Chocowinity, I met for instruction the confirmation class. As I have already remarked, this seems to me a desirable practice, as lifting the Bishop out of the sphere of a mere administrator of ordinances, and bringing him into contact with those preparing for confirmation, as their chief Pastor.

April 13th. At Trinity Church, Chocowinity, (Rev. Dr. Hughes, Rector), I officiated at Morning Prayer, preached, catechised the children, celebrated, and confirmed fourteen white persons. Met the vestry.

This class was largely due to the influence of the Church school, maintained by Rev. Dr. Hughes, his sons, and assistants. At present, Rev. N. C. Hughes, Jr., is in charge of the work, which seems to be quite successful. The attendance is larger than heretofore. I was moreover very much pleased with the appearance and deportment of the students, both male and female. It cannot be but that the influence of the school, upon all within it, is good.

April 14th. At Haw Branch School-House, I celebrated and preached.

April 15th. At night, officiated and preached in the school-house at Chocowinity.

April 16th. At a private house, baptized and confirmed a white adult.

The same morning, in the Methodist Church at Vanceboro, officiated, preached, celebrated, and confirmed two white persons. Met the vestry.

April 17th. In S. Pauls', Greenville, (Rev. N. C. Hughes, D. D., Rector), I took part in Evening Prayer and met the confirmation class for instruction.

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April 18th, Palm Sunday. In the new Church erected for S. Pauls' Parish, Greenville, officiated and preached twice, catechised the children, celebrated, and confirmed two white persons. Met the vestry.

The congregation of this parish have substituted a new and beautiful brick edifice, for the old wooden one, in which they have worshipped so many years. The new Church is creditable to the taste of the congregation and the Building Committee. As some things were still wanting, and as the debt for its construction has not all been met, the building could not at this time be consecrated.

April 19th. A letter from Rev. Walter Smith, of the Diocese of North Carolina, having reached me, proposing services at Bethel, a comparatively new town on the line of the Tarboro and Williamston road, I met him there, on the night of April 19th, when we held services together, in the Academy, kindly placed at our disposal by the principal. The room was densely crowded and many could not get in.

We have three communicants living there, and the prospect of a congregation seems good, if we can only give them regular services. To Rev. Mr. Smith belongs the credit of breaking ground at this point.

April 20th. At a private house, in Bethel, I celebrated the Holy Communion.

The same day, at night, in S. Martins' Church, Hamilton, I officiated and preached. Met the vestry.

April 21st. In the same place, officiated, preached and celebrated.

The same afternoon, at a private house, in Hamilton, administered the Holy Communion to a sick person.

April 23rd, Good Friday. Took part in the services, at Morning and Evening Prayer, in S. James', Wilmington.

April 24th, Easter Even. Took part in the service at S. James'.

April 25th, Easter. At a private house, in Wilmington, administered to a sick person.

At Morning Prayer, at S. Marks', officiated, preached and celebrated.

In the afternoon, I took part in the children's service at S. James', and, at a later hour, in the Evening Prayer at S. John's.

At the former of these services, the Lenten Sunday-School offering of S. James' Parish was presented, in mite-chests, with which an emblematic ship, representing the Church, was laden.

You are, most of you, aware of the request made by me, of the several Sunday-Schools of the Diocese, that their Lenten offerings, this year, might be given me for special use. I had come in from my visitations, much depressed by the pecuniary condition of many of the clergy, and asking myself the question, whether the relief of our brethren at home was not of more immediate consequence than the support of general missions, for which the general secretary had requested the Lenten offerings of our Sunday-Schools. I would not have our Parishes practice even religious selfishness. Selfishness in all its forms, individual, parochial or diocesan, is inconsistent with the spirit of Christ, or of Christianity.

But just at this time the call seemed to be more urgent at home. The distribution of mite-chests for the purpose was suggested by the Rector of S. James', who kindly took upon himself all the trouble.

The plan was adopted, and has been carried out with good results. Excepting the colored Parishes, which are so largely helped by the general committee, that, to have withdrawn

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their offerings from the general fund, would have been unjust, I invited all the Sunday-Schools of the Diocese to join in accumulating a fund to be placed at the disposal of the Bishop for the relief of the clergy and feebler Parishes. The appeal was however imperfectly carried out, partly in consequence of the failure of the circular to reach the schools in time. The Easter offering at S. James' was the first response definitely made.

The ship of the Church brought in nearly \$170. After Easter other contributions came in from many of the Sunday-Schools of the Diocese, amounting in all to more than \$250. Of this amount I have already distributed the greater part, very much, I am sure, to the relief of the recipients.

At night I made my official visit to S. James', Wilmington, (Rev. W. H. Lewis) officiating, preaching, and confirming forty-three whites. It is worthy of remark that, inclusive of the Sunday-School Lenten offering, already mentioned, this parish has contributed, during the past year, more than five hundred and seventy dollars to Diocesan missions.

April 27th. At S. Marks', Wilmington, I officiated and baptized a colored infant.

May 2nd. First Sunday after Easter, at a private house in Washington County, I baptized an adult.

The same day, at morning prayer at S. Luke's, Washington County, (Rev. L. Eborn) I officiated, preached, catechised the children, celebrated, and confirmed ten white persons.

The same night, in Grace Church, Plymouth, (Rev. H. G. Hilton) I officiated, preached and confirmed twelve white persons. Met the Vestry.

May 4th. At a private house in Washington County, I administered the Communion to a sick person.

May 5th. In S. Andrew's Church, Columbia, Tyrrell

County, (Rev. L. Eborn) I officiated, preached, celebrated, and confirmed one white person.

May 9th, Second Sunday after Easter. In S. David's, Scuppernong, (Rev. L. Eborn), I officiated, preached, catechised the children, celebrated, and confirmed twelve white persons. Met the vestry.

In the afternoon, at the same place, I officiated for the colored congregation, preached, and confirmed two persons of color.

About this time, news reached me of the death of the Rev. Charles Otis Brady, who, for many years, had faithfully served the colored parish of S. Mark at Wilmington. Modest, quiet and courteous, God-fearing and devout, he had not only gone in and out among his people as a true pastor, presenting, annually, full confirmation classes to his Bishop, but had also by his influence with friends at the North, contributed largely to the *material* prosperity of the parish.

He has left a monument of his care for his flock in the substantial brick church, toward the erection of which, he brought from his Northern friends more than \$4,000. To this may be added \$4,000 more, which he was instrumental from time to time, in securing, from the same sources, for other religious objects within the parish.

May 16th, 3rd Sunday after Easter. I took part in the Morning Service at S. Paul's, Wilmington. Met the vestry.

In the afternoon, in the same place, catechized the children. The same afternoon, at S James', took part in a funeral.

The same afternoon, officiated at Evening Prayer in S. James' parish.

The same day at night, at S. Paul's, Wilmington, officiated, preached, and confirmed three white persons.

May 23rd. 4th Sunday after Easter. I officiated, preached,

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celebrated and confirmed three white persons at S. John's Church, Wilmington. After service met the vestry.

The same day, at night, assisted by several of the city clergy, I officiated, preached, and confirmed eleven persons of color in S. Mark's, Wilmington; the Rev. Dr. Carmichael having kindly taken up Mr. Brady's work of preparation at the point where their deceased pastor's hands, relaxed by death, had dropped it.

Of the above, the sum is this:

Services 262, (visiting forty of the parishes or missions twice or oftener); sermons 180, beside confirmation addresses; catechisings 24; vestry meetings 37; funerals 6; corner stones laid 3; churches consecrated 2; baptisms of infants 33, of adults 6; certifications of baptism 2; confirmations 286, of whom 44 were colored; celebrations of the Holy Communion, public 83, private 11; administering to about 2,000 communicants. I have ordained one person to the Priesthood. have received into the Diocese, by letters dimissory, 2 Priests, viz: Rev. Horace G. Hilton, from the Diocese of North Carolina, and the Rev. Ino. Scott, from the Diocese of Central Pennsylvania. I have given letters dimissory, to Rev. E. R. Sweetland, to the Diocese of Wisconsin, and to the Rev. Jno. Kiernan, to the Diocese of Long Island. But, as I have not yet received the canonical notice of their delivery and acceptance, the names of both remain upon our clergy list.

In October last, the Rev. Mr. Sweetland resigned the parishes of Grace Church, Plymouth, S. Thomas, Windsor, and the Mission of Holy Innocents, Avoca. The Rev. Horace G. Hilton, soon after, took charge of the same. But in doing so, Mr. Hilton was compelled to resign the charge of S. Martin's, Hamilton, which parish is, at present, without a pastor. The Rev. Mr. Scott took charge, in January, of S. Georges', Hyde

County, where he has recently been called to perform the last earthly offices for one of his most prominent and useful parishioners, Dr. Milton Selby, who died suddenly on the 7th inst. To Dr. Selby the Church in Hyde is largely indebted for its prosperity. He gave not only his money but his time. and thought, and affections to the Church of his Master. May God reward him in the life to come, and raise up some one to stand in his place here. The Rev. Mr. Kiernan, some months ago, resigned the charge of Christ Church Parish, Elizabeth City, and removed to the North. The Rev. Robt. J. Walker has removed from Fort Dodge, Iowa, to take charge of the work in Elizabeth City. As his letter dimissory has not yet been received, he cannot, at present, be entered upon our clergy list. Rev. N. E. Price has added the mission at S. James', Beaufort County, to his work in Bath. The Rev. S. S. Barber is meeting a regular appointment at Fairfield, Hyde County, where a lot has been procured for a Church. Rev. H. H. Phelps has been officiating with great acceptance, at S. John's, Durham Creek, Aurora and Bayboro. I regret to add that he is about to remove to the Diocese of South Carolina.

The Rev. R. B. Drane is kindly giving a monthly service, for the present, to Holy Trinity, Hertford.

Members of the Convocation of Edenton have rendered valuable service by visiting, occasionally, the parishes in Hertford and Gates Counties.

The Rev. Israel Harding for want of helpers, still occupies alone his large field, but is doing excellent service in it. Beside Kinston, Holy Innocents, Lenoir County, S. John's and S. Michael's, Pitt County, he serves Snow Hill, LaGrange, S. Thomas' in Craven County, and Trenton in Jones County. Since the last Convention, I have organized the Mission at Trenton in Jones County. Rev. E. C. Burr, who officiated at

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South Mills, Camden County, after a severe illness, removed to the North some months ago. He has not, however, as yet, applied for letters dimissory.

At present, every county in the Diocese, except Currituck and Onslow, is visited.

In many places, lay readers are doing faithful work; often with great acceptance. But too often, Christian people, inconsistently, absent themselves from such services, forgetting that, as God's creatures, they should rejoice in, and by their presence aid, every attempt to secure the public worship of their Almighty Sovereign, and that their avoidable absence, at such times, is a denial to God of the public homage due to Him from all His subjects. But with all the help, supplied by lay reading, there is still a great lack of public service. The counties of Hertford and Gates, with four Church edifices, have no resident clergy. Hamilton, Clinton and Smithville, are without pastors. Rev. Dr. Carmichael has aided me materially, in the supply of Clinton with occasional services, and the Rev. Mr. Ambler, in visits to Smithville, Burgaw, Point Caswell and Cronly.

While so many of our older stations are left thus destitute, we can scarcely afford to diminish the little occasional attention we can give them, by adding new ones. Yet, there are at least twenty more places which ought to be visited, forthwith, if it were possible to do so.

The difficulty is mainly in the want of a proper support for the clergy. I cannot draw into the Diocese, or even hope always to retain in it, clergy of any worth, upon the miserable incomes which are now offered. What is much worse, that which is promised is not always paid. How can they, who, while able to live comfortably themselves, withhold from the Ministers of God—their faithful pastors—their pledged sup-

port, expect to be favorably recognized on the last day, by Him, whose commissions the clergy bear? We may depend upon it, my friends, that this matter will not end here, but will enter seriously, if not fatally, into our accounts on the day of judgment. Had it not been for the Lenten Sunday-School offerings, the distress—for distress it has been in some cases—among our clergy, would have been greater still. The remedy must be found in: 1st—A deeper sense of our obligations to God for the support of His Church, and in response to His blessings; and, 2nd—in the adoption of more systematic reservations of a portion of our incomes, as a tribute due to Him who gives us all.

But, in pleading for justice and mercy to our own clergy, and for the self respecting maintenance of our own machinery, we should not forget that we are a portion of the great Church Catholic, and are bound, before God, for our part of its support and the support of its works of mercy.

The society for the increase of the Ministry has, for these many years, been doing much for the education of our own candidates for orders, and is, at this moment, most liberally contributing to this result. It is, this day, supporting one of our young men, who is studying for the Ministry. Our manhood demands of us a recognition of such favors. The Bible and Prayer-book Society gave us, last year, a liberal supply of Bibles, Prayer-books and Hymnals. Of that gift many of you had the benefit. The University of the South, is giving the advantages of its grammar school and collegiate course—tuition free—to one of our young men, and offers to do as much for another.

Can we consent to be always receiving and never repaying? I recognize the great difficulty of making collections for so many objects, in addition to our own Diocesan calls, in 1886.] Bishop's Address.

parishes or stations, where the services are irregular, or where they are held only once or twice a month. And I do not wish to be understood, as altogether blaming the Diocese for its backwardness in contributions. Bad crop seasons have increased the difficulty created by irregular services. Many of our people are poor. But those who have, ought to give, whether or not solicited. They owe it to their God and to their Saviour, to their own self-respect and manhood. And especially are they bound, as honest and honorable men, as those who claim the name of gentlemen, to meet their positive pledges to their pastors, if able, even at the cost of serious self sacrifice, to do so.

Time would fail to say all that could justly be said, about these matters. But there are two other objects, to which I would especially invite attention: The University of the South, to the theological department of which, we should contribute, if possible, our quota of \$300; and the enrollment fund, of which I have spoken more fully, in my recent letter to the Diocese.

I have not forgotten other topics, of which I wish to speak, when I may have more time for doing so—the religious instruction of our children, in and out of Sunday-school, parental and sponsorial responsibilities, the attitude to be assumed by us toward the temperance and mission movements, which are so stirring our sister Dioceses.

The approach of the General Convention forces upon our attention, two subjects: That of Apellate Courts, and that of Prayer-book revision. Both of these subjects will, almost certainly, be brought before you during your session. Both will have the right to demand a serious and careful consideration.

There are at present, on the clergy roll of the Diocese, be-

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side the Bishop, the names of 22 Priests and 7 Deacons (of whom 2 are colored). There are 5 Postulants (of whom 2 are colored). There are 5 candidates for Priests orders (of whom 2 are colored), viz: Rev. Messrs. S. S. Barber, P. W. Cassey, H. S. McDuffey, and H. H. Phelps, and Mr. Fred. N. Skinner. The examiners are the same as before.

I commend you and your deliberations, dear brethren of the Clergy and Laity, to God and to His grace, through Jesus Christ our Lord.

ALFRED A. WATSON.



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Table of Abstracts of Statistics

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ST. JOHN'S PARISH, MAKELYVILLE.

The REV. S. S. BARBER, Deacon, officiating.

The services in this Church are held as heretofore reported, two Sundays in each month, morning and evening. Besides the services reported within my own immediate field of labor, I report one private infant baptism and two funerals services in St. George's Parish, one marriage in Trinity Parish, Beaufort County, and the marriage of two couples of colored persons within my own immediate neighborhood.

FAIRFIELD MISSION.

The REV. S. S. BARBER, Deacon, officiating,

Services were resumed at Fairfield on the Second Sunday in September last, and are held regularly, when not providentially hindered, on the second Sunday in each month, morning and evening. We have purchased a very desirable lot on which to build a Church when the financial condition of the county will justify the undertaking. It is cheering and encouraging to meet the quiet and appreciative congregations that always assemble at this place, and listen so attentively to the message of redeeming love

SWAN QUARTER MISSION.

. The REV. S. S. BARBER, Deacon, officiating.

Services are held here regularly on the fourth Sunday in each month, morning and evening. While there is nothing here to encourage the laborer in the Lord's vineyard, there are several families residing here who are devotedly attached to the Church, for whose special benefit the services are

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held almost gratuitously. The work at this place therefore, is in the strictest sense of the phrase, purely a "labor of love."

ST. MARK'S CHURCH, WILMINGTON.

The REV. JAMES CARMICHAEL, D. D., Minister in Charge.

The report is as full as the data at hand could make it, and is based mainly on last year's report.

ST. CYPRIAN'S PARISH, NEWBERN.

The REV. V. W. SHIELDS, Rector, REV. P. W. CASSEY, Assistant.

The amount under the head of Communion Alms was raised by the St. Augustine Ward of the Church guild for charitable purposes. Under the head of Miscellaneous are the expenses of Parish School and some additions made to the Church by the contributions of friends of the Mission. This includes also all the teachers have received from the School, all material used, fuel, etc., besides some repairs upon School building.

The Holy Communion was administered once by the Rt. Rev. Bishop of the Diocese; twice privately to the sick by Rev. E. M. Forbes; at all other times by Rev. V. W. Shields of Christ Church, New Bern, under whose immediate direction this work is carried on.

HOLY TRINITY PARISH. HERTFORD.

The REV. R. B. DRANE, Rector.

I accepted Rectorship from November 22nd, 1885, giving one Sunday a month. It is a very inviting field and should have a resident clergyman.

The Lay Readers, Dr. Josiah T. Smith and Mr. Francis Picard, have rendered acceptable service.

ST. JOHN THE EVANGELIST'S MISSION, EDENTON

The REV. R. B. DRANE, in Charge.

This congregation is still working to rebuild its Church. The new Church is framed and shut in. We are hopeful of completing it during the year. Congregation worships in St. Paul's Church, Sunday nights.

ST. PAUL'S PARISH, EDENTON.

The REV. R. B. DRANE, Rector.

The above includes services of the Lay Readers, Mr. Wm. B. Shepard and Mr. Frederick A. Fetter.

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It does not include cost of painting steeple, and mounting an iron, gilded cross.

ST. DAVID'S CHURCH, SCUPPERNONG.

The REV. LUTHER EBORN, Rector.

Through the commendable efforts, chiefly of the ladies of the Parish, assisted by christian friends elsewhere, this Church has been able to exchange its old Organ for a Cabinet Organ of powerful compass and peculiar sweetness of tone. The Church building is being enclosed by a very neat fence The Parish School, Mrs. M. B. Webb teacher, is in a good condition, and doing efficient work.

ST. LUKE'S CHURCH, WASHINGTON COUNTY.

The REV. LUTHER EBORN, Rector.

We are thankful to notice the constant advancement of this Parish. A very great means to this end is the careful conducting of a Sunday-School by zealous members.

ST. ANDREW'S MISSION, COLUMBIA, TYRREL CO.

The REV. LUTHER EBORN, Rector.

Neat and convenient seats, and a handsome Chancel Rail, have recently been placed in this Church, mainly by the efforts and means of a lady of the congregation.

GRACE CHURCH MISSION, TRENTON, JONES CO.

The REV. I. HARDING, Missionary.

This is a new Mission and Church building established and built up mainly since last Convention. The first service was performed on the 28th of March, 1885. On the 22nd of May following, the corner stone was laid by the Bishop of the Diocese, and on the 15th of December, the Church was used for service. And now, May, 1886, it is nearly ready for consecration.

ST. THOMAS' MISSION, CRAVEN CO.

The REV. I. HARDING, Minister.

There is a prospect of reviving this Parish, which had well nigh become

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extinct. The Church building was burnt during the late war, but there is a prospect now of its being rebuilt.

THE CHURCH OF THE ADVENT, WILLIAMSTON.

The REV. T. B. HAUGHTON, Rector.

The Church in this Parish has within the past few years, met with serious losses in the way of deaths and removals, which has very much weakened its financial strength, as well as lessened the number of its communicants. The services of the Church are generally well attended, and persons out of her fold are gradually learning that "her ways are ways of pleasantness, and all her paths are peace."

I still have charge of the Mission Station at Jamesville, where I have only been able to make occasional visits in consequence of my not being able to incur the expense of horse-hire, and which the few members, here, have not the pecuniary ability to meet. At this point the Bishop has made two visitations during the past year which were very much appreciated by the people of the village. The amount contributed by this Station, within the past year is as follows, to wit: For Diocesan Missions \$4.27; Bishop's salary \$1.00.

ST GABRIEL'S, FAISON.

The REV. J. M. HILLYAR, Missionary in Charge.

During the year I have held three weekday services, and celebrated the Holy Communion twice at St. Paul's, Clinton.

GRACE CHURCH, PLYMOUTH

The REV. H. G. HILTON, Rector.

My charge of this Parish began November 1st, 1885, and although my health has been very feeble all the while since, as it had been for several months previous, with the good feeling for me, and the active lay help given me, and the blessing of God, my feeble efforts have not been in vain. The spiritual life of the Parish is strong, respect and affection for the dear old Church is growing daily. The young people are looking up to her ways and quiet teachings with increasing interest. The Sunday-School is good. And all the indications are bright with promise for the future. Much has been done, and chiefly by the ladies, on the building itself, and it is hoped that ere long, it will be in excellent condition, and made attractive inside and out. The official acts of Rev. Mr. Sweetland in this Parish are included in the report, as well as those for Windsor and Avoca.

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ST. MARTIN'S PARISH, HAMILTON, MARTIN CO

The REV. H. G. HILTON, Rector.

I was compelled to suspend my regular work in this Parish for more than half the time from the beginning of the year to November, 1885, and entirely so after my removal to Plymouth, except one visit the last of the year to close up and resign my charge. Considering this sad fact, the Parish has done itself great credit in this report, and deserves special consideration by all who are, in any way, interested in the glorious mission of the Church. I pray God in His good providence to speedily provide for it such ministerial services, as will encourage and increase its labors of love, and renew its growth and strength, that so His glory may appear in the salvation of souls within its limits.

ST. THOMAS', WINDSOR, AND HOLY INNOCENTS, AVOCA, BER-TIE CO,

The REV. H. G. HILTON, Rector.

My charge of this Parish commenced November 1st, 1885, but owing to protracted illness, and bad weather, with ice in the river, I have not made more than half time, for one Sunday in the month. The report includes the mission at the Holy Innocents, Avoca, which is, at present, connected with St. Thomas', Windsor. I have undertaken to give one Sunday each to these two places, with such other time as my charge may require on other days. The Church is in good condition at both these points, and, with average health and strength, I feel confident, that my work with them will prosper. At Windsor we have a faithful and efficient lay reader who officiates regularly on Sundays, and other Holy Days and Seasons, and gives special attention to the Sunday-School. I pray God to give me more strength to discharge my duties there.

ST. PAUL'S, GREENVILLE.

The REV. N. COLLIN HUGHES, D.D., Rector.

At the visitation of the Bishop on May 31st of last year he laid the Corner Stone of a new Church building. At his recent visitation on April 18th, he officiated in it, finding it almost completely finished and furnished. God has opened the hearts and hands of the congregation generally, cheerfully both to give and to do in behalf of this sacred work. Friends abroad have also rendered some aid. The children of the Sunday-School have given

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freely, and are rewarded by the sight of the beautiful triplet chancel window which they have purchased but have not yet finished paying for.

TRINITY CHURCH, BEAUFORT COUNTY

The REV. N. COLLIN HUGHES, D. D., Rector.

One of the most interesting objects in connection with ministerial labor at Chocowinity, is Trinity School. Although identical in name with the Parish, it is not a Parochial School. It is now in its 10th year and was founded with a view of supplying a long and deeply felt need, viz: A Church School for boys as well as girls; a school affording thorough religious, intellectual, and physical training, and withal on terms so moderate that it might be within the reach of persons of limited means. Its growth has been slow but steady; and at present we have special reason for thankfulness for the blessing God bestows upon it.

AURORA MISSION, BEAUFORT CO.

The REV. N. C. HUGHES, JR, Deacon, officiating

I ceased to serve this Mission in February of the present year. Since this time Rev. H. H. Phelps has been in charge, hence the report is partly mine and partly his. There is much here for which to "thank God and take courage" The regular congregation show real interest in maintaining the Church among them and good will is manifested by those who are not of us. A neat Church edifice which has for several years been in process of construction, has at last so far progressed as to admit of being used for service In addition to amounts contributed on report, \$20000, more or less, has been contributed towards the building of the Church.

ST. JOHN'S, FAYETTEVILLE.

The REV. J. C. HUSKE, D.D., Rector.

The condition of this Parish, is I think, decidedly improved since my last report. This is indicated by a more general and livelier interest in Church matters and heartier efforts to advance. It is shown in the large class confirmed, the return of some to the Holy Communion who seemed to be indifferent, the increasing number of Sunday-Scoool scholars, and increased interest in the spiritual welfare of the children, and in the increased activity and zeal of the Ladies Benevolent Society, which has ever been, and especially during the past year, a great help to the Rector, in his Parochial work.

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This Parish has, during the past year, purchased a new Organ, which is expected to be in place by the 10th of June—a much larger and better instrument than the present, the prospect of the arrival of which has already awakened new and wider interest in the Church's service of song. A number of our members living in the vicinity of Fayetteville, are expecting to build a Chapel about four miles west of the town, which, if their purposes can be carried out, will no doubt subserve the interests of their own families and attract others to our services.

GRACE CHURCH, WOODVILLE, AND ST. MARK'S, ROXABEL. The Rev. H. M. Jarvis, *Rector*.

The aggregate cannot be correctly estimated, as the Parochial Communion Alms include some of the Diocesan collections, as do also the balance of the offertories (viz: \$54.07).

The above report extends from first service in Grace Church, December 21st, 1884, to May 16th, 1886, inclusive.

The congregations are increasing and we have obtained some accessions from the Baptists, with a prospect of others from the Methodists. Through liberal contributions of several individuals in the Parish, Grace Church organ has been placed in its chamber and tuned at a cost of \$75 oo. Coverings for the Chancel furniture (of colors suited to the Church seasons), embroidered and fringed, is the work of some of our lady members.

At St. Mark's, Roxabel, a few ladies have also been more than usually zealous to improve the little Chapel and its surroundings.

A new Altar cloth has been purchased, the Chapel painted externally and internally, a brick walk laid from the door to the gate and the Church-yard planted with shrubs and flowers of which many are in bloom. The Sunday-School of St. Mark's commenced recently with three scholars and now numbers ten. I omitted to state in the proper place that the Ladies Aid Society in Woodville and other members of Grace Church have paid into Mr. Urquhart's hand, \$96-29, since January last, on the Rectory debt due to him This reduces the debt to \$389 or.

Mr. Urquhart generously keeps the Church insured at his own expense for \$1.500 00. The crops last year were almost a failure, which prevented the people from accomplishing as much for the Church and Rector as they were desirous of doing.

ST. JOSEPH'S CHURCH, FAYETTEVILLE.

The Rev. H. S. McDuffey, Deacon officiating.

Since my last report, I am pleased to say that, the Church has been con-

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secrated. The work of the Parish has progressed steadily. The average attendance at public services during the year has been fifty. The services have been largely attended by visitors. Our Sunday-School is in a flourishing condition. The Women's Aid Society of St. Joseph's has done a good work during the past year.

ST. JOHN'S, DURHAM'S CREEK, BEAUFORT CO.

The REV. H. H. PHELPS, Deacon, officiating.

The work has been encouraging during the past year. The Parish is now out of debt. I have been holding a Mission Service at Edwardsville since the first of January. The congregations at this place are tolerably good.

ST. JAMES' CHURCH, BEAUFORT CO.

The REV. N. E. PRICE, Rector.

I took charge of this Parish in October, 1885. We hope to have our new Church at Pantego ready for use sometime during the present year.

ST. GEORGE'S PARISH. HYDE COUNTY.

The REV. JOHN SCOTT, Rector.

Communion Alms and common offerings included in Rector's salary Sunday-School organized in connection with Church service, but I am unable to give its statistics at present. I have had charge of this Parish since the 1st of January, and the financial part of this report covers only the time since then. We have just met with a sad loss in our membership in the sudden death of Dr. Milton Selby. The day before his death he was about his business on his plantation, dying between 10 and 11 o'clock on the morning of Friday, the 7th instant. Thus, ours is an afflicted Parish at present. The funeral service was held on Sunday afternoon, (the 9th instant), at St George's Church, the Rector officiating, and a large concurse of people in the Church and on the grounds. Pray for us, that Christ's strength may be perfected in our weakness.

CHRIST'S CHURCH, NEWBERN.

The REV. V. W. SHIELDS, Rector.

The condition of this Parish has apparently improved within the past year. The offerings have been somewhat better, and the attendance upon the services at the cebrations of the Holy Communion greater.

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The services during the Lenten season especially, seemed to indicate an increased interest on the part of the people. It is estimated that from Ash-Wednesday to Easter, inclusive, nearly eight thousand people were present, in all, during the different services. The absence of the Canonical offerings from this Parish in the Treasurer's report is owing to the fact that offerings were made during Easter-week, which came after the close of the fiscal year. The debt upon the Parish has been reduced to \$500—in excess of the \$600—due the permanent Episcopal Fund, which is desired to remain as a permanent investment on the part of the Treasurer. It is hoped that this balance will be paid during the present year. In addition to Convocational duties, the Rector celebrates the Holy Communion monthly in the Parish of St. Cyprian's, and when possible, at Festival seasons, and occasionally preaches to the colored congregation.

BETHEL MISSION, PITT COUNTY.

The REV. W. J. SMITH, Missionary in Charge.

On Sunday, March 7th, I held service morning and night in the Bethel Academy, and preached to a large and attentive congregation on both occasions—this was the first time the service of the Church was ever held at this place—since then I have made two other visits, and hope hereafter to go there regularly on the first Sunday of each month. Bethel is a growing town on the Albemarle and Raleigh Railroad, and the people seem to be kindly disposed towards new comers. There are three communicants at this point, one of whom is reported elsewhere. Total offerings \$1.25.

ZION CHURCH, BEAUFORT COUNTY.

The REV. R. B. WINDLEY, Minister in Charge.

This indebtedness was assumed in completing the Rectory a little over a year ago, and owing to the short crops, no special effort has been made to liquidate it.

This, a rural Parish, and the people dependent mainly upon agriculture for their resources, the crops for several years past have been short, and in consequence there has been a falling off in ministerial support. We live in hope, however, that every successive year will be better than the one preceding.

The Canonical dues of the Parish have, I think, all been paid.

I have during the year, in company with the Rev. Mr. Price, made several missionary visits to points in the lower part of this county. All of which

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section may be said to be really but missionary ground without any or with but very *little* organized Church work in it. But arrangements, I may add, are now in contemplation between the Rev. Mr. Price and myself, by which increased missionary work may be done in this section.

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REPORT OF THE DEAN OF THE CONVOCATION OF EDENTON,

To the Rt. Rev. Alfred A. Watson, D. D., Bishop of East Carolina:

The Convocation of Edenton has held four regular sessions during the past year; in May, 1885, in St. Paul's Church, Greenville; in August, in Holy Trinity Church, Hertford; in November, in St. Thomas' Church, Bath, and in January, 1886, in St. John's, Makelyville. In consequence of the fact that the stated time for the Convocation in May, 1886, conflicted with that appointed for the Diocesan Convention, the clerical members of the Convocation were notified to distribute themselves in pairs, on the 2nd Sunday in this month, at such points as they might decide upon.

The general attendance at the sessions of Convocation, was fair on the part of the Clerical members, very imperfect by the Lay Delegates, quite encouraging by the people generally.

The Convocation is still without an Evangelist, although, as for years past, anxious to secure one. During the past year, \$100 oo have been collected in our respective Parishes and appropriated to the purpose of securing a Diocesan Missionary, whose business it shall be to supply occasional services to vacant Parishes and Congregations.

An effort has also been made by the Convocation to supply similar congregations within our district with services by Clerical members, as often as once in three months.

It is a matter of great gratification that by the blessing of God upon your own efforts and those of the parties specially interested, the vacancies within our limits are gradually being filled up.

N. COLLIN HUGHES, Dean.

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REPORT OF THE DEAN OF THE CONVOCATION OF NEW BERNE

To the Rt. Rev. Alfred A. Watson, D. D., Bishop, and the Convention of the Diocese of East Carolina:

In accordance with the designation of the Bishop, the Convocation of New Berne held a meeting at Trenton in October last, which concurred with the visitation of the Bishop who presided during the services and sessions. The work done there was especially interesting and encouraging, and indicated that much more than would ordinarily be expected, can be accomplished for the Church and people by more efficient Missionary Services on the part of the Convocations.

Owing to the small number of Clergymen residing within this Convocation, we have found it difficult to have our meetings as often as we desire, from the fact that the inability of one or two to attend, which often occurs in the contingency of Parish life, renders our force too small to have a successful mission. For this reason we have on several occasions, been obliged to postpone appointed meetings.

In view of this difficulty the Bishop proposed a measure which had been canvassed before in the Convocation, which was to seek to unite this with the Canonical Convocation of Wilmington. Accordingly a resolution was passed at the meeting at Trenton, asking the co-operation of the Clergy in the Wilmington District toward this end. And in December, in the City of Wilmington, a joint meeting of this Convocation and the Clergy of the Canonical Convocation of Wilmington, was held, at which the Bishop presided, and resolutions were passed, asking the Committee on Canons to adjust and present to the Convention such a Canon as would provide for the consolidation of the two, or the formation of the Convocation under a new name and with extended boundaries.

The members of the New Berne Convocation earnestly hope that the Bishop and Convention will consent to this proposed movement, believing that it will add to the Missionary life and efficiency of Convocational work in this part of the Diocese.

A meeting of the Convocation was also held at Faison, in the month of June, 1885, and during three days interesting Missionary Services were held.

Respectfully,

V. W. SHIELDS, Dean.



APPENDIX B.

TREASURER'S REPORT,

FOR FISCAL YEAR, ENDING MARCH 31, 1886

The Treasurer herewith respectfully presents his Accounts of the various Funds of the Diocese for the fiscal year ending March 31, 1886, showing the following credit balances—namely:

Diocesan Missions\$	519	CO
Relief Fund	240	05
Education Fund	184	26
Church Building Fund	34	Sı
Permanent Episcopal Fund	476	52
Education of Children of Deceased Clergymen	248	27
Relief of Disabled Clergymen and Widows and Orphans of Deceased Clergymen	Q _m	-6
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It will be seen that the Current Episcopal and Contingent Fund has been balanced by transfer of the surplus of \$402 13 to credit of the Permanent Episcopal Fund.

In view of the fact that we have had another year of remarkable deficiency in the products of the soil throughout the Diocese—in which the agricultural interest is so largely predominant—and also of the continued depression in all branches of trade throughout our country, it must be a source of gratification to the Convention, and should be encouraging to those who have entertained doubts as to the ability of our young and feeble Diocese to maintain its organization, that our receipts have not only been sufficient to provide for all the expenses of the year, but that so considerable a surplus has been added to the Permanent Fund.

Another gratifying fact in the review of the past year is that the Amount of Arrears now due by the Parishes is only \$1,687 33, against \$2,414 30 reported to the Convention of 1885. Of this reduction of \$726 97 however, it must be borne in mind that the sum of \$450 has been released by the Finance Committee, making the net reduction by payments only \$276 97.

It may be safely estimated that the income from the Permanent Episcopal Fund for the next fiscal year will not be less than \$1,300 oo. If a moderate and carefully prepared scale of Assessments is adopted by the Convention, and properly responded to by the Parishes, the additional amount required can readily be provided for.

In connection with this subject, the Treasurer begs leave respectfully to suggest the great importance of taking some step for the increase of the Perma nent Episcopal Fund, particularly in view of the tendency to lower rate of interest, and the advancing values of the securities in which future investments must be made. In his opinion this can be best accomplished by adopting a scale of Assessment on the Parishes, which, without being burdensome to them, will secure some surplus in the Current Fund, to be added to the Permanent Fund at the end of each year, and thus provide for its steady and gradual increase, until it becomes sufficient to meet, from its income, all the expenses of the Diocese, so as to render unnecessary any assessment for that purpose.

A complete list of all the Securities in hand belonging to the Diocese is herewith presented, and attention is called to the Current Accounts of the various Funds in this Report, for explanation of the changes in the list since the report of last year.

The following contributions have been received and remitted for the objects specified, during the past fiscal year, namely:

FOR THE THEOLOGICAL DEPARTMENT OF THE UNIVERSITY OF THE SOUTH.

Christ Church Parish, Newbern	\$ 2 00
Mrs. E. McK. Roberts, "	6 00
Mrs. E. B. Daves, "	3 00
St. Martin's Parish, Hamilton	10 27
St. Thomas' "Windsor	2 00
Advent "Williamston	1 00
Grace " Plymouth	2 25
Holy Trinity " Hertford	11 50
Holy Trinity Sunday School, Hertford.	5 00
St. Paul's Parish, Wilmington,	5 00
St. James' "	
A member of same Parish	2 00
Zion Parish, Beaufort County	3 23
Hon. R. P. Buxton, Fayetteville	
Dr. S. J. Hindsale, "	10 00
Rev. R. B. Drane, Edenton	5 00

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Dr. Milton S	elby, l	Hyde	Count	y	5	0
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LIST OF SECURITIES BELONGING TO THE DIOCESE OF EAST CAROLINA,

In Hands of Treasurer April 1, 1886.

FOR ACCOUNT OF THE PERMANENT EPISCOPAL FUND.

		Par, Value.
Nos. 1545, 1565, 1566, 1567,	4 Bonds North Carolina Rail Road 8 per cent.	
No. 1159,	I "Renewal Debt" Bond, State of North Caroli-	
	na,6 per & due April 1919, int. April and Oct	1,000 00
No. 1861,	I Bond North Carolina State 4 per cent., due	
	July 1910, interest January and July	1,000 00
Nos. 254, 266,	2 City of Wilmington Bonds, 8 per cent. \$1,000	
	each, due July 1887, interest Jan. and July	2,000 00
No. 319,	I City of Wilmington Bond, due July 1888	1,000 00
Nos. 72, 97, 98,	3 City of Wilmington, Gold 8 per cent., \$500	
	each, due Jan. 1, 1892, int. Jan. and July	1,500 00
Nos. 53 to 59,	7 City of Wilmington, currency 6 per cent., \$500	
	each, due July 1, 1897, int. Jan. and July	3,500 00
No. 166, to 169,	4 City of Wilmington, currency 8 per cent., \$100	
	each, due July 1, 1887, int. Jan. and July	400 00
No. 119,	I County of Craven, 6 per cent., due July I,	
	1909, interest annually July 1	500 00
	age, Dec. 12, 1882, J. W. Barnes, 8 per cent	300 00
"	J. H. and M. L. Boatwright, June 7, 1883,	
	8 per cent	1,500 00
"	W. L. DeRosset, June 28, 1882, 8 per cent.,	
	\$1,200, with credit Sept. 30, 1885, of	
	\$500, balance of principal	700 00
	ate of July, 25, 1884, for 25 shares Wilmington	
	Weldon R. R. Stock	2,500 00
,	e above, the Diocese owns a one half undivided	
	ne property known as the Episcopal Residence in	
•	Vilmington, one-fourth having been given by St.	
	h, and the other fourth having been purchased	
during the p	ast year and paid for out of this Fund. Value	2,500 00

FOR ACCOUNT OF THE FUND FOR EDUCATION OF CHILDREN OF D CLERGYMEN.	ECEASED
Nos. 61 and 62, 2 Bonds of County of Craven, 6 per cent., due	
1909, interest payable annually, \$500 each\$	1,000 00
No. 1096 to 1105, 10 Bonds of same County, 6 per cent., principal	
and interest as above, \$25 each	250 00
No. 246, I City of Wilmington 8 per cent. Bond, due July I, 1887,	
interest January and July	100 00
FOR ACCOUNT OF THE CLERGY RELIEF FUND—FOR RELIEF OF D	
No. 324, I City of Wilmington 8 per cent. Bond, due July I, 1888,	
interest January and July\$	200 00
One-half interest in a judgment against Mr. John Wilkes, record-	
ed in Mecklenburg County, N. C. Estimated value of	
the claim of this Diocese, without interest	413 68

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1		1885.
		May. To paid the following Clergymen, expenses attend-
r	r	ing the Diocesan Convention at Kinston, viz:
	1 55	Rev. T. M. Ambler 8 00 Rev. J. M. Hillyar
	14 00	" C. O. Brady 6 50 " J. C. Huske, D. D
	6 55	"P. W. Casey
	11 85 6 75	" L. Eborn
	4 00	"T. B. Haughton 8 oo "R. B. Windley
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		Paid additional assessment on this Diocese towards ex-
11 00		penses of General Convention of 1883
1		" Travelling expenses of members of Committee on
23 05	1 6	Canons
8 00		"Travelling Expenses of Standing Committee
		"Rev. N. Harding, expenses incurred by him as Sec-
15 00		retary of Convention
		" Secretary's salary from Dec. 13, 1883 to March 31,
130 20		1885, I year, 3 mos. and 19 days at \$100 per annum
100 00		"Secretary's salary I year to March 31, 1886
37 00		Finding 1,000 copies Treasurer's Report
40.00		250 Report of Committee on Canons
282 31		Finding and distributing 750 copies Journal of 1865
19 00		" 50 extra copies of Canons" " 50 Circulars
I 25		"Registration of deed—J. W. Atkinson to Trustees of
I 20		Diocese
2500 00		" Salary of Bishop, I year to March 31, 1886
9 21		" Postage stamps and envelopes
7	1	"Treasurer's Commissions on receipts, \$3,852 90,
192 65		5 per cent.
		" Balance transferred to credit of the Permanent Epis-
402 13		copal Fund

In Account with A. J. DeRosset, Treasurer, for the Fiscal Yea	r 1885-86	DR.
1886.		I
April.		
By Amount from Parishes and Congregations as per Tab-		
ular Statement		\$2404 10
"Income from the Permanent Episcopal Fund, viz.:		, ,
"Coupons for May, '85, and Nov. '85, of \$2,000 8 per		
Bonds N. C. R. R. Co.	160 00	
"Coupons for Oct. '85 and April '86 of \$1,000 6 per cent		1
Bond, State of North Carolina	60 00	
"Coupons for July '85 and Jan. '86 of \$1,000 4 per cent.		
Bonds, State of North Carolina	40 00	
"Coupons for July '85, of \$3,900 City of Wilmington 8s	156 00	
" 'for Jan. '86, of 4,900 " " 8s	196 00	
" for July '85, of 3,700 " 6s	111 00	
" for Jan. '86, of 3,500 " " 6s	105 00	
" for July '85 and '86 of \$500 Craven County, 6s	60 00	
" for Sept. '85 of \$200 New Hanover " 6s	6 00	
" 12 months interest to Dec. 7, '85 on \$1,500 oo 8 per		
cent. Bond of J. H. & M. L. Boatwright	120 00	
"12 months interest to Dec. 12, '85 on \$300 8 per cent.		
Bond of J. W. Barnes	24 00	
" 9 months interest to Sept. 28, '85 on \$1,200 8 per		
cent. Bond of W. L. DeRosset	72 00	
3 months interest to Dec. 28, 85 on \$700, balance of		
8 per cent. Bond of W. L. DeRosset	14 00	
Interest from Oct. 6, 84 to Aug. 13, 85 on \$1,000		
8 per cent. Bond of W. B. McKoy	68 45	
"Interest from Nov. 26, '84 to Aug. 13, '85 on \$500 8		
per cent. Bond of W. B. McKoy	28 63	
"Dividends 4 per cent. each for July '85 and Jan. '86,		
on 25 shares W. & W. Railroad Stock	200 00	1421 08
1) Testament Januarita in tanal		
" Interest on deposits in bank		27 72
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		\$3852 90

Dr.	Diocese o	of East	Carolina,	for	Diocesan	Missions,
To amount appropriation Committee, viz:	ns by the	Execu	tive Missio	onary	,	7
Rev. S. S. Barber	100 00 100 00 100 00	" H. " N. " E. " R.	C. Hugher H. Phelps E. Price R. Sweetla B. Windle	and	50 00 100 00 50 00 100 00	
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DR.	Diocese of East Carolina, fo	r the Rel	ief Fund,
1886. Jan. 15, Apr. 10,	To amount paid Bishop Watson for distribution, "Treasurer's commissions on receipts, \$75 16,		50 00
	5 per cent		3 76 240 05
			\$ 293 81

DR.	Diocese of East Carolina, for Educat	ion Fund,
Oct. 24,	To amount remitted to Mr. F. N. Skinner	25 00 25 00
1886. Feb. 4,	" " for use of Students under charge of Rev. E. M. Forbes	20 00
Mch. 2, Apr. 10,	" amount remitted to Mr. Alex. F. Moore " Treasurer's Commissions on receipts, \$81 64,	20 00
"	5 per cent	4 08 184 26
		\$ 278 34

In Account with A. J. DeRosset, Treasurer, for the Fiscal Year 1885-86.		C	R.
I885. April. By Balance "donation from Sunday School of St. James' Parish, Wilmington "Amount from Parishes and Congregations as per Tab- ular Statement "Bishop's Collections as per Tabular Statament		551 2 557 352	00
1886. April 10, By Balauce		\$1464 \$ 519	

In Account with A. J. DeRosset, Treasurer, Fiscal Year 1885-'86.	CR.
April, By Balance,	218 65 75 16
1886. April 10, By Balance.	\$ 293 SI \$ 240 05

In Account with A. J. DeRosset, Treasurer, Fiscal Year 1885-'86.	CR.
April, By Balance, "amount from Parishes and Congregations as per Tabular Statement. "donation from the Woman's Auxiliary Society	196 70 61 64
of Wilmington—through Bishop	20 00
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004	\$ 278 34
April 10, By Balance	\$ 184 26

Dr.	Diocese of East Carolina, for Church Bu	ilding Fund,
1885. May 16,	To amount appropriated to Holy Innocents Church, Lenoir County, " amount appropriated to St. John Evangelist Church, Edenton	25 00 46 31
1886.	" remitted for St. Paul's Church, Greenville, (special contributions)	7 85
April 10,	" Treasurer commissions on receipts, \$55 32, 5 per cent Balance	2 76 34 81
		\$ 116 73

DR. Diocese of East Carolina, for the	Permanent Episcopal Fund,
1885.	
April 21, To paid for 1 North Carolina 6 per cent. R	enewal enewal
Debt Bond of \$1,000, No. 1159, at 10	
Aug. 13, " paid for 1 City of Wilmington 8 per ct	
No. 319, \$1,000 at par and interest	
Sept. 4, "John W. Atkinson, for his one-fourth	
est in the Episcopal residence	
Nov. 7, "for I City of Wilmington 8 per ct Box	
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1886.	1010 00
April 10, To Balance,	
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Dr. Diocese of East Carolina, Fund for Education Children of Dec'd Clergymen,		
1885. April 16, To amount remitted Chas. E. Johnson, Treas. Diocese of N. C., to correct error in settlement of this account, July 28, 1884,	41 46	
1886. nent Episcopal Fund,	8 33 248 27	
	\$ 400 56	

In Account with A. J. DeRosset, Treasurer, Fiscal Year 1885-	86. Cr.
1885.	
April, By Balance	\$ 61 41
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per Tabular Statement,	55 32
	\$ 116 7;
1886. April 10, By Balance	\$ 34 8
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In Account with A. J. DeRosset, Treasurer, for Fiscal Year 188	5-'86, CR.
1885. April 10, By Balance	\$ 708 88
21. "Sale of City of Wilmington 8 per ct Bonds	"
No. 246 of \$100, No. 324 of \$200, say \$300	
at 102½ per ct	
his Mortgage Bonds of \$1,000 and \$500	
paid in full Sept. 4, " sale of City of Wilmington Bonds, viz: No.	1500 00
85, \$1,000 8 per ct., and Nos. 320 and 321,	
\$200, 6 per ct., say \$1,200 at par and int 30, " amount collected from W.L.DeRosset in part	1215 34
payment of his Mortgage Bond of \$1,200	500 00
Nov. 7, "sale of 2 New Hanover County 6 per ct. Bonds of \$100 each at par and interest	202 23
April 10, " amount transferred to this account from the	
Current Episcopal and Contingent Fund.	402 13
1886.	\$4836 08
April 10, By Balance	\$ 476 52
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n Account with A. J. DeRosset, Treasurer, for Fiscal Year 188	35-'86. CR.
I885. April I, By Balance	\$ 233 91
Dec. 31, "Coupons for July '85 and Jan. '86 on \$200	# 233 91
t886. City Wilmington 8 per & Bond, No. 246 Mch. 20, "Coupons for July '85 and July '86 on \$1,250	8 00
Craven County 6 per ct. Bonds	150 00
April "proportion of interest on deposits in bank,	8 65
299	\$ 400 56
1886. April 10, By Balance	\$ 248 27

12 TREASURER'S REPORT FOR FISCAL YEAR 1885-'86.

Dr.	Diocese of East Carolina, for the Cl	lergy Relief Fund,
1886. " Fund at 10:	y of Wilmington, No. 324 of \$200 I from the Permanent Episcopal 2½ per ct.	\$ 205 00 87 56 \$ 292 56

In Acco	ount v	vith A. J. DeRosset. Treasurer, for Fiscal Year 1885-'86	CR.
1885 April	1, E	By Balance	\$ 272 39
		Y Balance	16 00 4 17
1886.			\$ 292 56
	10, B	y Balance	\$ 87 56

TABULAR STATEMENT,

Showing Amounts Received from Parishes and Congregations for Fiscal Year 1885-'86.

Arrears due to April 1886.	116 4 158 3 0 158 3 7 7 0 60 7 60 7 67 6 87 6 87 6 87 6 12 6 7 5
Total Pay- ments.	
Bishop's collections for Dioc'an Missions.	++ 848888888 4 8 4 8 8 4 8 8 8 8 8 8 8 8
Church Building Fund.	1 8 1 1 3 1 3 1 3 1 3 1 3 1 3 1 3 1 3 1
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Of whice 2 49 from school-house.

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ERRATA.

Page 16, 10th line from bottom, insert "or" after the word "appointed" Page 28, line 2, instead of "for collections" read "by collections." Page 29, line 10, for "rubric" read "rubrics."

APPENDIX C.

Constitution and Canons.

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APPENDIX C.

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Constitution.

ARTICLE I.

This Diocese as established by the Sixty-seventh Convention of the Diocese of North Carolina, in May, 1883, at Charlotte, embracing all that portion of the territory of the State of North Carolina which includes the counties of Hertford, Bertie, Martin, Pitt, Greene, Wayne, Sampson, Cumberland, and Robeson, and all the counties lying between these counties and the Atlantic Ocean, shall be known as the Diocese of East Carolina.

ARTICLE II.

The Church in this Diocese accedes to the Constitution of that branch of the Holy Catholic Church known as the Protestant Episcopal Church in the United States of America, and recognizes the authority of the General Convention thereof.

ARTICLE III.

SECTION I. For the purpose of receiving reports and other information as to the condition and progress of the Church in this Diocese, and of consulting upon such measures, and enacting such laws as may seem good for its welfare and government, there shall be an Annual Council to meet within the Diocese at such time and place as may be determined by

the next preceding Council, or in the event of no such determination, on the third Wednesday in May, at such place as may be agreed upon by the Bishop and Standing Committee, or appointed by the Standing Committee in case of the disability of the Bishop, or a vacancy in his office.

SECTION 2. But the time or place of such meeting may be changed, or Special Councils may be called by the Bishop and Standing Committee, or by the Standing Committee in case of disability or vacancy as provided in the preceding section, subject, nevertheless, to such Canonical provisions as may hereafter be made; provided, that no Special Council shall be called without at least sixty days' notice, which notice shall be published for at least one month in three different newspapers in this Diocese, and shall specify the business and purpose for which said Special Council is to be held; and no other business shall be proposed or acted upon except by a vote of two thirds of both Orders.

ARTICLE IV.

SECTION 1. The Council shall be composed of the two Orders—Clerical and Lay. The Bishop of the Diocese, or in his absence the Bishop in charge as representing the Episcopal Authority, shall, if present, preside at all meetings of the Council.

Section 2. Every Clergyman of the Church, having been Canonically connected with and resident within the Diocese for *three* months preceding any meeting of the Council, including such portion of the time as he may have been a candidate for Orders, shall be entitled to a seat and vote in the Council, except in the election of a Bishop, in which case such connection and residence must have been for *twelve* months to entitle him to a vote; *provided*, that the restriction

1883.] Constitution.

as above in regard to residence shall not apply to professors, tutors or students in the General Theological Seminary, or in any University or College maintained or governed in part by this Diocese, or to officers of the General Missionary Board of the Church, or to Chaplains in the Army or Navy.

Section 3. Each regularly organized Parish within the Diocese shall be entitled to be represented by one or more Lay Delegates, not exceeding four, chosen by the vestry from the male communicants of the parish: and in case of any parish having no male communicants, the Vestry may elect one or more delegates, duly qualified as above, from any other parish or parishes of the Diocese: provided, that no person shall be allowed to represent more than one parish in the same meeting of the Council. No person, Clerical or Lay, under Ecclesiastical censure, publicly declared by a competent tribunal, shall be admissible to a seat in the Council.

SECTION 4. It shall be lawful for the Council to exclude or suspend from Lay representation any Parish neglecting or refusing to appoint delegates to the Council for two successive years, or neglecting or refusing to comply with any lawful requirement of the Council provided, that a vote of a majority of all the Clergy entitled to seats, and a majority of all the Parishes entitled to representation shall be required for such exclusion or suspension.

SECTION 5. If any Parish shall neglect or decline to appoint Lay Delegates, or shall have been excluded or suspended from the right of doing so by the Council, or if any or all those appointed shall not be present, such Parish shall nevertheless be bound by the acts of the Council.

ARTICLE V.

SECTION I. The Council shall be the sole judge of the

Constitution.

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election and qualification of its own members. It shall have power to adopt Rules of Order for its own government, elect officers and raise funds, and shall have such other legislative powers as may be necessary and proper for the well-being of the Diocese.

SECTION 2. The Council shall have no power to pass any Canon infringing the Episcopal Authority, but may adopt resolutions of advice or enquiry, or institute any proceedings deemed necessary for the purpose of impeachment of the Bishop.

ARTICLE VI.

To constitute a quorum for the purpose of ordinary business the presence of one-third of all the Parochial Clergy and of delegates from seven of the Parishes entitled to representation in the Council shall be necessary. Any less number shall be competent to receive reports and to adjourn.

ARTICLE VII.

SECTION I. Upon any question before the Council, when it may be required by any one Clerical member, or by the delegation present of any one Parish, the two Orders shall vote separately And in all cases of a vote by Orders, each Clerical member shall be entitled to one vote, and each delegation shall also be entitled to one vote, and a concurrence of majorities of both Orders shall be necessary to a decision. When no such division is called for, each member of the Council shall be entitled to one vote.

Section 2. All elections shall be by ballot, unless otherwise unanimously ordered

ARTICLE VIII.

SECTION 1. The Council shall annually elect a President

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(who shall be a Presbyter of the Diocese), a Secretary and a Treasurer.

SECTION 2. Should there at any time be no such election then the officers *last* before elected shall hold over till such election shall be had.

SECTION 3. Should the office of Secretary or that of Treasurer become vacant at any time preceding the annual election, the Ecclesiastical Authority shall be empowered to fill the vacancy till such time as an election shall be had.

ARTICLE IX.

SECTION I. A Standing Committee to consist of 3 Clergymen of the Diocese, and 2 Laymen communicants of the Diocese, shall be annually elected by the Council.

SECTION 2. The Committee shall have power to fill any vacancy that may occur in their own body between the annual meetings of the Council.

SECTION 3. When there is no Bishop the Standing Committee shall be the Ecclesiastical Authority of the Diocese, and, as such, may invite the temporary services of other Bishops, and, for due cause, may change the time or place of the annual meetings of the Council; and they may also summon special Councils, and shall do so upon the call of one-third of the Clergy of the Diocese, or of one-third of the Parishes in union with the Council, as appearing upon the lists of the Journal last before published. And although there be a Bishop, the Standing Committee shall have power to call special Councils for the purpose of proceedings relative to his impeachment, and shall do so upon a similar requisition by the Clergy or Laity.

ARTICLE X.

SECTION I. Any ten or more baptized adults may organize

themselves into a Parish, and be received into union with the Council, by taking such steps as may be provided for by Canon.

SECTION 2. The Bishop of the Diocese may, with the written consent of the Rector of any Parish (a copy of which shall be filed with the Registrar of the Diocese), establish, within the limits of such Parish, Missionary congregations, whose Ministers shall be independent of the Rector and responsible to the Ecclesiastical Authority only; provided, that, with the advice and consent of the Standing Committee, the Bishop shall have the power to establish such independent Missionary congregations without the consent of the Rector.

Section 3. In all Parochial elections none shall be entitled to vote but baptized males of the age of twenty-one years, members of the Parish, who shall have subscribed a declaration in the following words, viz:

"We, the undersigned, do hereby consent to be governed by the Constitution and Canons of the Church, as set forth in the General Convention, and by the Constitution and Canons of the Church in this Diocese."

Provided, that this section shall not be taken to infringe upon the chartered rights or existing customs of any Parish established previous to the year 1859.

ARTICLE XI.

SECTION I. Any Presbyter regularly called to the charge of a Parish and entering thereupon shall, during the time of such charge, be held to be the Rector of said Parish.

SECTION 2. The Rector is recognized as having, by virtue of his office, the exclusive regulation, under his Canonical superiors, of all the spiritual concerns of the Parish; as being entitled at all times to have access to the Church building

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and to open the same for the services or instruction of this Church as he may deem proper; to call meetings of the Vestry or congregation, when present to preside in the same, and, in case of a tie, to give the casting vote.

ARTICLE XII.

The Council shall pass Canons for the trial of Clergymen.

ARTICLE XIII.

When a Bishop is to be elected, the Council shall vote, by Orders, on this wise: The Clergy, by a majority of all in the Diocese entitled to seats in the Council, shall make a nomination by ballot for the office; and then a concurrence, by ballot, of a majority of the Parishes represented, shall be necessary to complete the election; *provided*, the number of Parishes voting shall not be less than *twenty*.

ARTICLE XIV.

No new Canon shall be passed, nor shall any existing Canon be amended, upon the day upon which said new Canon or amendment may be proposed, without unanimous consent. Nor, without a similar consent, shall the question upon the passage of such Canon or amendment be finally put without previous reference to a committee.

ARTICLE XV.

SECTION I. This Constitution shall not be altered or amended without—

First. A concurrent vote of a majority of both orders present at one Annual Council proposing said alteration.

Second. The adoption of the proposed alteration or amendment, at the next ensuing Annual Council, by a majority of

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all the Clergy entitled to seats in the Council, and a majority of the Parishes represented; *provided*, that the number of Parishes voting shall not be less than fifteen.

SECTION 2. Provided, that the consideration of the proposed amendment may always be postponed to the next Aunual Council by a vote of two-thirds of both orders present.

ARTICLE XVI.

All Constitutional enactments shall take effect from and after the adjournment of the Council at which they shall have been ratified.

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CANON I.

LIST OF MEMBERS OF THE COUNCIL.

SEC. I.—Clergy.—It shall be the duty of the Secretary, before the opening of the Annual Council, to apply to the Ecclesiastical Authority for a correct list of the Clergy entitled to seats. Such list shall be *prima facie* evidence of said title, and from it the Secretary shall prepare the roll for the purpose of organization.

SEC. 2.—Laity.—The Secretaries of the several Parish Vestries electing Lay Delegates to the Council shall furnish three certificates of said election, whereof one shall be handed to the Delegates elect, one shall be forwarded to the Secretary of the Council, and one to the minister of the Parish where the Council is to be held, the latter two to be mailed at least two weeks before the time appointed for the opening of the session. From these certificates the Secretary shall prepare a list of Lay Delegates to be called at the opening of the Council; and shall insert no name upon the roll without the evidence of one of said certificates, unless specially directed by the Council. Defective or doubtful certificates shall be laid aside to be acted upon after the Council shall have been organized.

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CANON II.

OPENING SERVICES.

At the opening of each annual or special meeting of the Council, Morning Prayer shall be said and the Holy Communion administered, and there shall be a sermon by a Clergyman appointed for the purpose by the Ecclesiastical Authority of the Diocese.

CANON III.

RULES OF ORDER.

The Council shall adopt Rules of Order, which shall continue in force until altered.

CANON IV.

PRESIDENT.

In absence of a Bishop competent to preside, as provided in Article IV, Section 1 of the Constitution, the chair shall be occupied by the President of the Council.

CANON V.

SECRETARY.

SEC. 1. The Secretary shall issue notices of all meetings of the Council under direction of the Ecclesiastical Authority. He shall prepare the Canonical List of the Clergy and Lay Delegates entitled to seats therein. In the absence of both Bishop and President he shall call the Council to order for the purpose of organization. He shall keep a record of its proceedings, under its direction, in a suitable book to be kept for that purpose and shall also be Registrar of the Diocese.

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SEC. 2 He shall prepare and issue the Journals as may from time to time be directed by the Council, and shall preserve thirty copies of the same for the use of the members of the next succeeding Council together with such other papers in his keeping as he may think likely to be required for reference.

SEC. 3. He is hereby authorized to draw upon the Treasurer for the amount of expenses necessarily incurred from time to time in discharging the duties prescribed by this Canon.

CANON VI.

TREASURER.

The Treasurer shall have custody of all funds or monies belonging to the Diocese; shall, under the direction of of the Council, receive, invest and disburse the same, and shall keep and return an account thereof to each annual meeting; and shall also report annually a complete list of all securities belonging to the Diocese. He shall give bond for the faithful discharge of his duties, in such sum as the Trustees of the Diocese may from time to time designate, such bond to be approved by and deposited with the Trustees of the Diocese.

CANON VII.

COMMITTEES.

SEC. 1. The following shall be the Regular Committees of the Council, to-wit:

[1]—Permanent Committees.—In addition to the Standing Committee, there shall be annually elected the following Committees, viz: An Executive Missionary Committee to consist of five; a Students' Aid, and a Church Building Committee, to consist each of three persons; and the Bishop shall be ex officio Chairman of said committees.

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[2] A Committee on Canons, to consist of three clergymen and two laymen, and a Committee on Finance, to consist of two clergymen and three laymen, shall be annually appointed by the Bishop, or, in his absence, by the President of the Council, after opportunity has been given for presenting reports by those appointed at the previous annual meeting—not later than during the morning session of the second day.

[3] All permanent committees shall remain in office until their successors are appointed or elected.

[4]—Other Committees.—The following committees shall be annually appointed by the Bishop, or, in his absence, by the President, as soon as may be after opening of the Council viz. On Credentials, On New Parishes, and On Unfinished Business, to consist each of one clergyman and two laymen, and On the State of the Church, to consist of three clergymen and two laymen.

SEC. 2.—Standing Committee.—The Standing Committee shall elect a President and Secretary from their own body. They shall assemble upon the call of their President whenever he may deem it necessary. He shall also summon them whenever required to do so by the Bishop, or by any three members of the Committee. In the event of vacancy in the Episcopate, the President shall call a meeting within thirty days after knowledge of the fact. The Standing Committee shall hold meetings for the transaction of business on the third Wednesday preceding the stated times of ordination, and at each Council; Provided, that the committee shall not be required to meet except upon notice by the President. They shall also report to the annual medings of the Council their transactions of the preceding year. A record of all their official acts shall be kept by their Secretary, which shall always be open to the inspection of the Bishop and of the Council.

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SEC. 3.—Executive Missionary Committee.—The Executive Missionary Committee shall have in charge the Current Missionary Funds of the Diocese, for which they shall be empowered to draw upon its Treasurer, the order of their Chairman being the Treasurer's warrant. They shall receive applications for aid; they shall report annually to the Council their transactions during the previous year, and the condition of the missionary field, and shall make such recommendations for the future as may seem to them good. Under the direction of the Bishop—if there be one—they shall select the Missionaries or Missionary Stations to be aided, and in the absence of specific directions by the Council, shall make such appropriations to the same as may seem to them suitable. With the consent of the Bishop, they may appropriate monies to Convocations, instead of individuals; and may leave to these Convocations, under the direction of the Bishop, the selection of Missionaries or Missionary Stations to be aided.

SEC. 4.—Students' Aid Committee—The Committee shall have charge of the Current Students' Aid Fund of the Diocese, with power, in the absence of express provisions to the contrary, to appropriate the same as may seem to them best. They shall be empowered to draw upon the Treasurer of the Diocese for all such funds in his hands, and the order of their chairman shall be his warrant. They shall receive, consider and act upon all applications for aid in behalf of young men desirous to enter the Ministry of the Church. They are hereby directed to seek out such cases, and, if need be, bring them to the notice of the Church in any way that may seem best. They shall report annually to the Council their transactions of the preceding year, and the condition of the fund under their control, and shall make such recommendations for the future as may seem to them good.

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SEC. 5.—Church Building Committee.—The Church Building Committee shall have charge of all current funds contributed in the Diocese for the purpose of aiding feeble congregations within the Diocese in building or repairing churches, with power to appropriate the same as may seem to them best; provided, that there shall be no appropriation of the funds of this committee towards any building not secured to the sole use of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the Diocese of East Carolina. The Committee shall be empowered to draw upon the Treasurer of the Diocese for such funds as he may have received for church building; and the order of their chairman shall be his warrant. They shall report annually to the Council their transactions of the preceding year, and the condition of the fund under their control, and shall make such recommendations for the future as may seem to them good.

SEC. 6.—Committee on Canons.—The Committee on Canons shall receive, consider and present to the Council all motions or resolutions pertaining to the Constitution, Canons and Rules of Order, and are competent to originate any new matter, touching these subjects, that they shall see proper.

The Committee on Canons may report to the Council at which they are appointed, not later than the second day of the next succeeding Council unless otherwise instructed.

SEC. 7.—Committee on the State of the Church.—It shall be the duty of the Committee on the State of the Church, from such materials as may be placed before them, to report to the Council, at some time during its session, the condition of the Diocese, with such particular statements, or such recommendations, as may seem to them desirable.

SEC. 8.—Committee on Finance.—The Committee on Finance shall audit the Treasurer's accounts. They shall have

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power to report a scale of assessments for the purpose of raising funds required for Diocesan purposes; they may receive applications for the alteration of said scale, and shall have power to modify the same for the current year, reporting all such applications and their action thereon to the Council. They shall report to each Council the general condition of the several funds of the Diocese, with such deficits in the assessments as may be discovered. They may make such recommendations as may seem to them desirable, and shall act upon all other matters relative to Diocesan property committed to them by the Council.

CANON VIII.

DEPUTIES TO THE GENERAL CONVENTION.

At each Annual Council there may, and at each Annual Council immediately preceding the triennial session of the General Convention there shall be elected four clerical and four lay deputies to the said General Convention, who shall be, in accordance with Article II, of the Constitution of the General Convention, "Communicants in this Church and residents in the Diocese." There may also be elected four alternate clerical and four alternate lay deputies, subject to the same provisions as the original deputies above mentioned. The said alternate deputies shall succeed to vacancies in the original deputation in the order of their election as indicated by the number of votes cast for each, and in case of the same number of votes having been cast for two or more in either order, precedence shall be given to the clerical alternates in the order of official, and to the lay alternates in the order of personal seniority; and the Secretary shall insert the names of the alternates in this order upon the Journal.

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Deputies elect to the General Convention, finding themselves unable to attend, shall, four weeks at least before the time of meeting, give notice to the first alternate of the same order. Should said alternate be unable to attend he shall give immediate notice to the next upon the list of the same order with himself. Should either of said alternates receive two or more of such notices, he shall, according to the circumstances, transmit said notices to one or more of the alternates who follow him, and in the order in which they come.

CANON IX.

TRUSTEES OF THE UNIVERSITY OF THE SOUTH.

- SEC. I. There shall be elected by the Council at such intervals as are or may be required by the Constitution or Statutes of the University of the South, one Presbyter and two Laymen, as members of the Board of Trustees of that Institution on the part of this Diocese.
- SEC. 2. The said members shall annually report to the Council the condition and progress of the University, with such particulars in regard to the various departments as they may deem necessary to inform the people of the Diocese as to the literary, moral and spiritual value of the work of that Institution and its claims upon them for patronage and support.
- SEC. 3. In case of the death, resignation or disability of any of the Trustees elected on the part of this Diocese, the vacancy may be filled by the Ecclesiastical Authority until an election for that purpose shall be made by a succeeding Council.

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CANON X.

TRUSTEES OF THE DIOCESE.

- SEC. I. The Bishop, or when there is no Bishop, the President of the Standing Committee shall, ex officio, with two laymen to be annually elected by the Council—and to remain in office until their successors may be appointed—constitute a Board of Trustees for the Church in this Diocese, and shall be authorized to hold the property of the Diocese not otherwise provided for. In absence of instructions by the Council they shall also, from time to time, give directions to the Treasurer in regard to the care and investment of the permanent and unappropriated funds of the Diocese in his hands.
- SEC. 2. Whenever the title to real property in any Parish is vested in the Trustees of the Diocese for the benefit of the Parish the said Trustees shall have the power to convey said property upon the written request of the Vestry of such Parish if, in the opinion of said Trustees, it be advisable so to do; but if, in their opinion, it is not advisable to make such conveyance, they shall report the facts to the next Council.
- SEC. 3. Any vacancy occurring in this Board by death or otherwise, may be filled by the Ecclesiastical Authority.

CANON XI.

ORGANIZATION OF PARISHES AND MISSION STATIONS.

SEC. I. A new Parish may, upon application, be admitted into union with the Council, if duly organized according to the requirements set forth in the following section of this Canon, and if, in the judgment of the Council (upon the favorable report of a committee appointed for the purpose

of enquiry into the case), the Parish gives promise of such sufficient strength as will enable it permanently to maintain its organization.

SEC. 2. The requirements for the organization of a new Parish shall be—

First. To obtain the written consent of the Ecclesiastical Authority.

Second. If within the limits of some already existing Parish or Parishes, to obtain the written consent of the Rector or Rectors of said Parishes.

Third. To assume a suitable name and elect a Vestry, as prescribed in Canon XII on Parochial Elections.

Fourth. To provide a book with a caption for the signatures of all the voters in the Parish consenting to be governed by the Constitution and Canons of the General Convention and of this Diocese, as directed in Article X, Section 3 of the Constitution of this Diocese.

And every new Parish applying for admission into union with the Council, shall present satisfactory evidence that all the above requirements have been duly complied with.

SEC. 3. Any Missionary Station outside the limits of an already existing Parish may be organized by the Bishop at his discretion.

The Bishop may appoint, upon the organization of the Mission, a Church Warden, a Clerk and Treasurer (if he deems it expedient, combining any two of these offices in one person) which officers shall thereafter be elected by the congregation annually in Easter week, after public notice of the election previously given. These officers shall, as far as possible, discharge the duties belonging to their respective offices in regularly incorporated Parishes, and they shall retain their offices until their successors are duly elected. The

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congregation of any organized Missionary Station, either without or within the limits of an already existing Parish, may appoint from their number a delegate to the Council, who shall be admitted to a seat, and to a participation in its deliberations, without the right of voting. The appointment of such delegate shall be certified by the Clerk of the Mission.

CANON XII.

PAROCHIAL ELECTIONS.

SEC. I.—Vestry.—Upon Easter Monday, unless some other day has been specified by the Vestry, each Parish shall annually elect by a plurality of votes from among the baptized members of the Parish in good moral standing, a Vestry of not less than three nor more than twelve persons, and in case of proposed change in the number of the Vestry, then the number of Vestrymen to be elected shall be announced by resolution of the Vestry at least ten days before the election. But in the event, at any time, of an omission to elect, or of a refusal of the Vestry elect to serve, the Vestry last chosen shall hold over until another election shall be held. The Vestry after its organization shall have the power to fill any vacancy which may occur in their body.

SEC. 2.—Wardens.—Each Vestry shall annually elect a Senior and a Junior Warden from among their own number, the former upon nomination by the Rector. If there be no Rector the election shall proceed without such nomination.

SEC. 3.—Duties of Wardens.—In the absence of the Rector the Wardens shall preside in all meetings of the Vestry or congregation in the order of their official seniority. As representatives of the Vestry, they shall (subject to its directions and in consistency with the rights of the Rector) have charge

of the church building, and shall see that it be kept from all secular uses, and from all uses inconsistent with the doctrines or discipline of the Protestant Episcopal Church; and, so far as possible, in good repair, as becometh the house of God. They shall see that it be prepared for public worship, and that order be preserved during the same; that suitable books and vestments be provided for the services, and, when necessary, the elements and vessels for the Holy Communion.

SEC. 4.—Treasurer.—In the absence of any other appointment the Junior Warden shall act as Treasurer of the Parish.

SEC. 5.—Vestry Meetings in certain Cases.—Should the Rector refuse to call a meeting of the Vestry it shall be competent to the Wardens, or any three of the Vestry, to call one: Provided, that the Rector shall have due notice of the same.

CANON XIII.

CALL OF A MINISTER.

When there is no Rector the Vestry shall have power to call a Minister and to enter into all needful stipulations for his support. But if he prefer to rely upon the voluntary contributions of the people, he shall be entitled to do so; and the Vestry shall not have the power to tax the sittings for that purpose without his consent. The Rector shall not have power to appoint a *permanent* assistant without the consent of the Vestry.

CANON XIV.

LEGAL POWERS OF THE VESTRY.

The Vestry shall be the Trustees of the Parish; shall have charge of all the secular concerns thereof; shall hold the 1886.]

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property belonging thereto, and shall be authorized to collect, invest or disburse its funds.

CANON XV.

DISSOLUTION AND SUSPENSION OF PARISHES.

- SEC. I. In case of the dissolution of a Parish, the property belonging to the same shall vest in the Trustees of the Diocese, in trust for the interests of the Church in the said late Parish, and shall, upon the *bona fide* reorganization of said Parish, be reconveyed to the same.
- SEC. 2. Whenever the penalty of exclusion or suspension from lay representation in the Council shall be inflicted on a Parish, as provided in Sec. 4 of Art. IV of the Constitution, the sentence shall specify on what terms or at what time said penalty shall cease.

CANON XVI.

CONVOCATIONS.

The Diocese may be divided into Missionary Convocations, the boundaries and names of which shall be fixed by the Clergy, with the consent of the Bishop.

CANON XVII.

REGISTRATION, REPORTS, ETC.

SEC. I.—Private and Parish Registers.—It is hereby ordered that each Clergyman of this Church shall keep a register of all the baptisms, marriages, confirmations and funerals solemnized by him, as well as of all the baptisms, marriages, confirmations and funerals within his Parish, or Cure, specifying the names of the persons in each instance, the parentage and date of birth of those baptized, with the names

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of their sponsors or witnesses, and the time when each rite is performed, which register shall be transcribed at least once in each month into a book to be provided for the purpose by the Vestry of the Parish.

SEC. 2.—List of Communicants, etc.—It shall also be the duty of each Clergyman to keep a list of the communicants within his Cure, and, so far as practicable, of all the families and adult persons within the same, to remain for the use of his successor.

SEC. 3.—Parochial Reports.—Each Clergyman shall report to the Bishop, at least one month before the meeting of each annual Council, all his official acts from the close of his last report up to and including March 31st preceding the Annual Council, and all information concerning the state of his Parish, according to the following form, specifying the place of all his officials acts outside his Cure:

REPORT OF

From April 1st, 18 to March 31st, 18	
	Parish.
	Rector.
Number of families.	
Whole number of souls.	
Baptisms Infants	
Adults	
Total	
Confirmations	
Communicants—Added by removal	
Removed	
Withdrawn. Suspended.	
Whole number lost	

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Marriages	
Burials	
Public services—On Sundays	
Other Days.	
Other Days	
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Sunday-schools—Number	
No. Teachers—Males; females; total	
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Scholars—Males; females; total	
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Number of teachers	
Other officers	
Scholars—Males; females; total	•••••
Other Parochial institutions	•••••
CONTRIBUTIONS—WITHIN THE DIOCESE.	
CONTRIBUTIONS—WITHIN THE DIOCESE.	
Parochial—Communion alms.	
Missions	
Rector's salary	
Parish expenses	
Miscellaneous	
Total	
Diocesan—Bishop's salary	
Diocesan Missions	
Miscellaneous	
Total	
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Colored people	
Indian	
Foreign	
Miscellaneous	
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Chapels	
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NOTE—This report to have a printed endorsement, viz:

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Parish

Rector.

From April 1st, 18....., to Match 31st, 18.....

SEC. 4.—Reading of said Reports.—The said reports, or such parts of the same as may be designated, with the approval of the Bishop, may be read to the Council, and shall be entered upon the Journal thereof.

SEC. 5.—Reports by Wardens.—In the case of a Parish without a Pastor, it shall be the duty of the Wardens to make the Parochial Report required by this Canon.

SEC- 6.—Communicants to be Reported.—In making the above reports all communicants who have not withdrawn or been repelled by the proper authority shall be included.

CANON XVIII.

SALARIES, COMPENSATIONS, &c.

SEC. I. The salary of the Bishop of the Diocese is hereby fixed, as heretofore, at two thousand five hundred dollars per annum, to be paid by the Treasurer out of the funds in his hands for that purpose.

SEC. 2.—Officers of the Council, etc.—The Secretary, the Treasurer, the clerical members of the Diocesan Council, and the members of the Standing Committee of the Diocese, of the Finance Committee and of the Committee on Canons, in actual attendance upon the duly called meetings of the bodies to which they severally belong, shall be entitled to have their necessary expenses incurred by such attendance paid

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out of the funds of the Diocese; and the Treasurer of the Diocese is hereby directed to pay the same upon the personal application (by letter or otherwise) of said parties, accompanied by a certificate of the amount actually and necessarily expended in each instance. But no clergyman who comes to the Council after the first day of its session, or leaves before its adjournment, shall be entitled to the provisions of this section, without the special action of the Council.

SEC. 3.—Clerical Deputies.—Each Clerical Deputy to the General Convention, actually attending the same, shall be entitled to have his necessary expenses, incurred by such attendance, paid out of the funds of the Diocese. And the Treasurer is hereby directed to pay the same upon his application.

CANON XIX.

ASSESSMENTS.

Until the Permanent Episcopal Fund shall be so increased as to yield a sufficient income, to provide for the Bishop's salary and contingent expenses of the Diocese—There shall be Assessments laid upon the Parishes annually to make up the deficiency.

Said Assessments shall be according to such scale as may be adopted from time to time by the Council and shall be payable in quarterly instalments on the first day of July, October, January and April in each fiscal year.

In case of the failure of any Parish to meet promptly the payments so required, it shall be the duty of the Treasurer to make a demand for the same from the delinquent Parish.

CANON XX.

COLLECTIONS FOR DIOCESAN FUNDS.

It shall be the duty of every Clergyman of the Diocese to

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call on the Parishes and Mission Stations under his charge, for contributions (for collections or otherwise) at least once in every quarter, in aid of the current Missionary Fund; and at least once in every year in aid of the Relief Fund, the Students' Aid Fund, and Church Building Fund, and to see that all such contributions are promptly remitted to the Treasurer of the Diocese.

CANON XXI.

PERMANENT FUNDS.

SEC. I. The principal of the following Permanent Funds, with all additions to the same, shall remain intact, and only the income shall be applied to the current purposes for which such funds are held, namely,

1st. The Permanent Episcopal Fund for the Bishop's salary and contingent expenses of the Diocese.

2nd. The Clergy Relief Fund for relief of disabled Clergymen, and widows and orphans of deceased Clergymen of the Diocese.

3rd. The Fund for Education of children of deceased Clergymen of the Diocese.

SEC. 2. The income of the Clergy Relief Fund, and of the Fund for Education of children of deceased Clergymen—including all contributions in aid of the same for current use, may be distributed under the direction of the Ecclesiastical Authority of the Diocese.

SEC. 3. Any surplus remaining at the close of each fiscal year from the income of any of the aforesaid funds, or from current receipts from assessments or otherwise, shall, after payment of all expenses and appropriations, be added to the Permanent Fund to which such surplus belongs.

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CANON XXII.

CLERGY LIABLE TO MISSIONARY DUTY.

All Clergymen of the Diocese receiving aid from its missionary funds shall be liable to perform such missionary duties within the Diocese, as may be prescribed by the Bishop, and the amount of compensation therefor shall be fixed from time to time by the Executive Missionary Committee.

CANON XXIII.

TRIAL OF CLERGYMEN.

SEC. I.—The Presentment.—Any Clergyman shall be liable to presentment and trial for false doctrine, immorality, disorderly conduct, violation of the rubric, of the Constitution or Canons of the Church in the United States, or of the Constitution or Canons of the Church in this Diocese.

Such presentment shall be made by the Vestry of the Parish in which said Clergyman has charge, or in which he resides, or by at least three male communicants of the Diocese, of full age, or by two or more Presbyters, who shall have been canonically resident therein for one year.

But no presentment shall be made in any case of any offence alleged to have been committed more than three years before the date of the presentment: *Provided*, that if the accused be convicted of the alleged offence in a civil court, presentment may still be made within one year after said conviction.

Said presentment shall be made to the Bishop in writing, with the names of the presenters subscribed, and shall distinctly declare, with all reasonable specification of time and circumstances, the nature of the offence or offences with which the said Clergyman may be charged.

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SEC. 2.—Public Rumor.—But although no such presentment be made, if public rumor charge any Clergyman with the commission of any of the offences above enumerated, the Bishop shall appoint two or more Presbyters to investigate the truth of such rumor, and if such investigation prove adverse to the Clergyman so charged, the said Presbyters shall make the presentment as above, according to the forms and regulations there provided.

The presenters shall, in all cases, assume the responsibility of conducting the prosecution.

SEC. 3.—Service of Presentment—Constitution of Court.— Should the Bishop be of opinion, from the nature of the charge or charges made, that the presentment contains sufficient grounds for proceeding to trial, he shall cause a copy thereof to be forthwith sent to the accused. He shall then give notice to the Standing Committee, who thereupon shall select seven Presbyters, actually and canonically resident in the Diocese, from whom the President of the Standing Committee shall, in writing, call upon the accused to elect three. But in case the accused refuse or neglect to make such election within ten days after due notice as aforesaid, the Standing Committee shall make the said election.

The three Presbyters so elected shall constitute a court for the trial of the accused, and shall have all powers necessary for the due conducting of the said trial.

SEC. 4.—Lay Assessor.—The Bishop shall appoint a member of the legal profession, who shall also be a communicant of the Church, as Assessor to the Court, to advise the Court, if requested, upon all questions of law which may arise during the trial.

SEC. 5.—Time and Place of Trial and Notice Thereof.—The Bishop shall appoint a time and place of trial, and shall give

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at least thirty days' notice of the same to the members of the *Court*, the *Assessor*, the *Presenters*, and the *Accused*; at which time and place the *Witnesses* also shall be notified to attend.

SEC. 6.—Assembling of Court and Record of Proceedings.— The Court shall assemble at the time and place appointed, and shall proceed to examine fully the charges, and shall keep an accurate record of all their proceedings and of the evidence.

SEC. 7.—Nature of Evidence and How Given.—No charge shall be considered as established unless proved by two witnesses, or by one witness and corroborating circumstances.

Testimony may be given orally before the court, or in writing, upon interrogatories and cross interrogatories, to be previously filed with the Secretary or Registrar of the Court. Any one or more of the witnesses may be examined on oath or affirmation, on the requisition of either party.

SEC. 8.—Decision of the Court and the Sentence.—A unanimous vote of the Court, on one or more of the charges, shall be necessary to the conviction of the accused; and if their decision be adverse to the accused, they shall proceed to determine the kind and degree of punishment commensurate, in their opinion, with the offence or offences committed. They shall transmit to the Bishop, under their hand, the record of their proceedings. The judgment of the Bishop on such decisions shall be final; except that he shall have no power to increase the punishment recommended by the Court.

SEC. 9.—Suspension, or any heavier sentence, shall, *ipso* facto, sever the connection of the Clergyman with his Parish.

SEC. 10.—The Record to be Filed.—The record provided for in the sixth section of this Canon, together with the

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I. Upon the day appointed, the Council shall assemble at 10 A. M. Should it appear, upon a call of the roll, that a quorum is present, as required by Art. VI of the Constitution, the Council shall be declared organized by the presiding officer, and shall then take a recess for the opening services as directed by Canon II.

II. After the prescribed services the Council shall reassemble and proceed to the election of a President and Secretary.

III. The Standing Committee and other regular committees as directed by Canon VII shall be elected or appointed as soon as practicable after the organization of the Council—except that the appointment of the Committee on Canons and Finance, may be delayed (not later than the morning of the second day) for the receipt of reports from committees of the previous year.

IV. All Special Committees shall be appointed by the President, unless otherwise ordered.

V. A Treasurer shall be elected after a report from the Finance Committee.

VI. The following shall be the regular order of business, viz:

The Bishop's Address.

Communications from the President.

Reports from the Committee on Elections.

Committee on New Parishes.

Parochial.

Standing Committee.

Committees appointed at the last Convention.

Treasurer.

Finance Committee.

Committee on Canons.

Committee on Unfinished Business.

Committee on the State of the Church.

Trustees of the Diocese.

Trustees of the University of the South. Other special committees.

Petitions and memorials.

Motions and resolutions.

VII. After the President has taken the chair, no member shall continue standing, except to address the chair.

VIII. Speakers shall address the chair, and shall confine themselves to the point in debate.

IX. No motion shall be considered unless seconded, and, if required, reduced to writing.

X. When the President is putting any question, the members shall continue in their seats, and shall not hold any private discourse.

XI. When a question is under consideration, no motion shall be received, unless to lay upon the table, to postpone to a certain time, to postpone indefinitely, to commit, to amend, or to divide; and motions for any of these purposes shall have precedence in the order herein named. The motions to lay on the table and to adjourn shall always be in order, and shall be decided without debate; and of these the motion to adjourn shall take precedence.

XII. If the question under debate contains several distinct propositions, the same shall be divided at the request of any member, and a vote taken separately, except that a motion to strike out and insert shall be indivisible.

XIII. All amendments shall be considered in the order in which they are moved.

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When a proposed amendment is under consideration, a motion to amend the same may be made. No after amendment to such second amendment shall be in order. But when an amendment to an amendment is under consideration, a substitute to the whole matter may be received. No proposition on a subject different from the one under consideration shall be received under color of a substitute.

XIV. In voting by orders, the names of the delegates from each Parish shall be called, and each delegate shall vote either "Aye" or "No," and the majority of the votes of the delegates from a Parish shall determine the vote of such Parish, and it shall be the duty of the Secretary to record the names of the voters and the votes which they respectively give.

XV. A question once decided shall stand as the judgment of the Convention, and shall not be drawn again into debate. A motion to reconsider any vote shall not be in order, except on the same or succeeding day to that on which the vote is taken. *Provided*, *always*, that a vote or question may be reconsidered at any time by the consent of two-thirds of the Convention: *Provided*, *further*, that no motion to reconsider shall be made on the last day of the Convention, except on a vote or question originally taken on that day.

XVI. The reports of all committees shall be in writing, and shall be received of course, and without motion for acceptance, unless recommitted. All reports recommending or requiring any action or expression of opinion by the Convention shall be accompanied by a corresponding resolution.

XVII. All questions of order shall be decided by the chair without debate, but any member may appeal from such decision. And on such appeal no member shall speak more than once without leave.

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XVIII. No member shall be absent from the session of the Convention without leave, unless he be unable to attend.

XIX. When the Convention is about to rise, every member shall keep his seat until the President leaves the chair.

XX. On motion duly put and carried, the Convention may resolve itself into a Committee of the Whole, with or without closed doors, for the purpose of discussing such subjects as may be approved by the Convention.

The Bishop, with the Deans of the Convocations, may select and announce subjects for discussion: *Provided*, that if the motion to go into a Committee of the Whole has specified the subject to be discussed, that subject shall first be disposed of.

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HELD IN

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Haughton, Thomas B., Rector Church of the Advent, Williamston.

Hillyar, James M., Rector St. Stephen's, Goldsboro.

Clergy List.

The Rev. Hilton, Horace G., Rector Grace Church, Plymouth, and St. Thomas', Windsor.

Hughes, Nicholas Collin, D. D., Rector St. Paul's, Greenville, and Trinity Church, Beaufort County and Examining Chaplain, P. O. Chocowinity.

Huske, Joseph C., D. D., Rector, St. John's, Fayetteville.

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and St. James', Beaufort County.

Scott, John, Lector St. George's, Hyde County.

Shields, Van Winder, Rector Christ Church, Newbern, and Examining Chaplain.

Thorpe, Thos. May.

Walker, Robert J. Rector Christ Church, Elizabeth City.

DEACONS.

The Rev. Barber, Samuel S., officiating in St. John's, Makelyville, Hyde Co., P. O. Lake Comfort

Cassey, Peter W., officiating in St. Cyprian's, Newbern.

Hughes, Nicholas C., Jr., officiating in Aurora Mission, Haw Branch Mission, and Vanceboro Mission, Beaufort and Craven Counties, P. O. Chocowinity.

McDuffey, Henry S., officiating in St. Joseph's, Fayetteville.

Morrelle, Daniel, teaching in Wilmington.

Windley, Robert B., officiating in Zion Church, Beaufort County, P. O. Bunyan, Beaufort Co.

Candidates and Examining Chaplains.

[May,

CANDIDATES FOR PRIEST'S ORDERS.

The Rev. S. S. Barber,

The Rev. N. C. Hughes, Jr.,

P. W. Cassey,

Mr. Fred N. Skinner.

H. S. McDuffey,

EXAMINING CHAPLAINS.

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The Rev. E. M. Forbes, The Rev. V. W. Shields.

The Rev. N. C. Hughes, D. D., The Rev. N. Harding.

List of Parishes and Mission Stations

IN THE DIOCESE.

AND OF DELEGATES ENTITLED TO SEATS IN THE COUNCIL OF 1887.

[Those marked thus * were present. Mission Stations in Italics.]

Aurora Mission.

Holy Innocents, Avoca,

St. Thomas' Church, Bath,

F. S. Stickney,*

J. W. Crawley,

J. F. Carrow,

J. F. Harding.

Bayboro Mission.

St. Paul's Church, Beaufort.

Dr. J. L. Manney,

E. F. Rice, G. B. Copes,

A. C. Davis,

M. C. Phelps,

J. C. Davis, Alonzo Thomas.

John B. Gibble.

St. James' Church, Beaufort County.

D. W. Jarvis,

Geo. L. Swindell.

Samuel W. Clark,

A. G. Shavender,

Zion Church, Beaufort County.

L. C. Alligood,

Abner N. Cutler. Giles Cutler,

C. C. N. Cutler, J. J. Cutler,*

Benjamin Braddy,

Bartemus Cutlar.

J. H. Alligood.

Parishes, Missions, Delegates and Alternates.

May,

Burgaw Mission, Pender County,

St, Joseph's, Camden County.

Trinity Church, Chocowinity.

I. W. Hughes, W. R. Gibbs,* Jesse Ward, Fred. Grist, Fred Wolfenden, W. H. Patrick, S. B. Archbell, Henry Wingate.*

St. Paul's Church, Clinton.

St Andrew's, Columbia.

St. John's Church, Durham's Creek.

Ab. Tuten,
Joseph L. Butt,*

W. M. Butt, T. C. Butt.

St. Paul's Church, Edenton.

H. H. Page, W. B. Shepard,* John G. Wood,* Wm. J. Leary, Jr.,* F. Wood,
J. V. McCurdy,*
J. H. Hall.
Thomas Thompson.

St. John Evangelist, Edenton.

Anderson Lutton.*

Christ Church, Elizabeth City.

J. W. Albertson, Dr. W. W. Griggs,* W. J. Griffin, Frank Vaughu, J. S. Harney,
Geo. E. Brodrick,*
F. N. Grice,*
E. F. Lamb.

Fairfield, Hyde County.

Faison, Duplin County.

Falkland, Pitt County.

St. John's Church, Fayetteville.

S. J. Hindsdale, F. R. Rose, W. F. Campbell, R. P. Buxton, W. E. Kyle,
B. R. Huske,
Dr. W. C. McDuffie,
Charles Haigh.

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St. Joseph's Church, Fayetteville.

F. P. Williston, Geo. H. Williams, J. S. Leary,

J. B. Hall,

D. Buxton, W. B. Barge, James Williams, Frank Terry.

St. Mary's Church, Gatesville.

St. Peter's, Gates County.

St. Stephen's Church, Goldsboro.

Col. I. F. Dorth, B. M. Privett, W. H. Barnes, George C. Royall, T. B. Hill,
Dr. D. Cogdell,
Col. George Collier,
O. Holmes.

St. Paul's Church, Greenville,

R. R. Cotten,*
W. M. B. Brown, M. D.,
Charles Skinner,*
W. B. Brown,*

Harry Skinner, L. V. Morrel, J. F. Joyner, J. T. Balfour.

St. Martin's Church, Hamilton,

R. H. Everett, J. P. Boyle, H. J. Clark, M. D. G. C. Lamb, J. H. Martin,
N. H. Sebrell,
T. E. Darden,*

Haw Branch.

Church of the Holy Trinity, Hertford.

C. W. Wood, Benj. S. Skinner, James L. Skinner, Francis Picard. Dr. J. T. Smith,*
J. G. Granberry,
Dr. W. M. Riddick,
William Nixon.

St. George's Church, Hyde County.

Jamesville, Martin County.

Juniper Bay, Hyde County.

Parishes, Missions, Delegates and Alternates.

May

St. Mary's Church, Kinston.

J. C. Washington, S. H. Abbott, J. P Tucker, T. L. Williamson,*

Geo. E. Miller. H. C. V. Peebles, E. S. Laughinghouse, J. P. Haskett.

Church of the Holy Innocents, Lenoir County.

N. B. Whitfield. D. S. Davis, George Jones, C. Turner.

A. W. Whitfield. W. A. Jones. R. A. Jones.

St. John's Church, Makelyville.

M. Makely, W. C. Whitfield, M. D., Geo. G. Newman, James Adams,

W. H. Fortescue. S. P. Swarrow, M, D., F. C. Barber, A. J. Tooley.

Marlboro, Pitt County.

St. Barnabas, Murfreesboro.

St. John's, Newbegun,

Christ Church, Newbern,

John Hughes,* H. R. Brvan, John S. Long,* O. H. Guion.

R. H. Hilton, J. B. Roberts. E. B. Roberts, E, K, Bishop,*

St. Cyprian's Church, Newbern.

J. B. Brown, C. E. Palmer. H. W. Thompson, Harry Gaskins,

R, R Green, Edward Biddle. J. T. York, H, R. Kenedy.

St. John's Church, Pitt County.

J. T. Worthington, W. S. Wootten, J. L. Tucker, E. E. Powell,

J. H. Smith, J. E. May,

W. J. H. Laughinghouse,

W. A. Pugh.

Parishes. Missions, Delegates and Alternates.

St. Michael's, Pitt County.

Pantego, Beaufort, County,

Grace Church, Plymouth.

F. A. Boyle, Thos. S. Armistead,* Dr. L. A. Woodson, L. I. Fagan,* T. O. Vail, Dr. W. H. Ward, J. B. Hilton, C. L. Pettigrew.

Point Caswell, Pender County.

Rockahock.

Christ Church, Rockfish,

St. Mark's Church, Roxobel.

St. David's Church, Scupernong.

D. Spruill,
W. H. Hardison, M. D.,
A. L. Cahoon,
A. Armstrong,

S. S. Woodley, T. A. Swain, A. S. Conkling, E. G. Eborn.

St. Phillip's Church, Smithville.

St Barnabas, Snow Hill.

St. John Evangelist, South Mills.

Swan Quarter, Hyde County.

Grace Church, Trenton.

St. Paul's, Vanceboro.

St. Peter's Church, Washington.

E. S. Hoyt,*
T. H. B. Myers,
W. Z. Morton,
H. N. Blount,

H. F. Hancock,*
W. B. Morton,
J. G. Bragaw,
W. A. Blount, M. D.

Parishes, Missions, Delegates and Alternates.

May

St. Luke's Church, Washington County.

F. M. Chesson,

W. A. Hodges,

Thomas W. Blount.

Church of the Advent, Williamston.

Wilson G. Lamb,*

J. F. Martin,

Joseph M. Sitterson,*

C. M. Murray.

Alexander H. Smith,

St. James' Church, Wilmington.

Dr. A. J. DeRosset,*

Hon. A. M. Waddell,

Col. J. W. Atkinson,*
Col. W. L. DeRosset,*

Clayton Giles, R. E. Calder,

William Calder.

C. B. Mallett.

St. John's Church, Wilmington.

H. G. Smallbones,

C. D. Myers,

T. Wright Meares, W. H. Green,

R. D. Jewett, Berry Gleaves,

J. J. Fowler,

A. H. Greene.

St. Paul's Church, Wilmington.

St. Mark's Church, Wilmington.

J. G. Norwood,

J. J. Geyer,

A. E. Jackson, J. H. Davis, J. H. Lane, Thomas Scott,

J. T. Horne,

Robert McDonald.

St. Thomas' Church, Windsor.

D. C. Winston,*

L. S. Webb.

J. J. Jacocks,*

J. A. Grant,

E. W. Gray,

J. B. Gray.

F. D. Winston,

St. John's, Winton.

Grace Church, Woodville.

J. H. Brete, Dr. J. S. Griffin, Thos. W. Thompson,

S. J. Meakin.

Scale of Assessments.

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FOR THE CURRENT YEAR UPON THE PARISHES, MISSIONS AND CONGREGATIONS OF THE DIOCESE.

Aurora	5 15 00	St. Barnabas', Murfreesboro \$ 5 00
Avoca	10 00	Newbegun Creek Mission 5 oo
St. Thomas,' Bath,	15 00	Christ Church, Newbern, 225 00
Bayboro Mission	5 00	St. Cyprian's, Newbern 10 00
St. Paul's, Beaufort	30 00	Marlboro Mission, Pitt Co 5 00
St. James', Beaufort Co	12 00	St. John's, Pitt Co 30 00
St. John's, " "	15 00	Grace, Plymouth 20 00
Trinity, " "	40 00	Christ Church, Rockfish 25 00
St. John's, " " Trinity, " " Zion, " "	20 00	Roxobel Mission 5 00
Grace, Bertie Co	40 00	St. David's, Scuppernong 40 00
St. Paul's, Clinton	30 00	Maxton Mission. 5 00
St. Paul's, Edenton	75 00	St. Philip's, Smithville 10 00
St. John Evangelist, Edenton	5 00	St. Barnabas', Snow Hill 5 00
Christ Church, E. City	75 00	South Mills Mission 10 00
Fairfield Mission	10 00	Swan Quarter, Hyde Co 5 00
Faison Mission	10 00	Grace Mission, Trenton 10 00
St. John's, Fayetteville	200 00	Tunis Mills Mission 5 00
St. Joseph's, "	15 00	St. Paul's, Vanceboro 5 00
St. Mary's, Gatesville,	15 00	St. Peter's, Washington 100 00
St. Peter's Mission, Gates Co.	IO 00	St. Luke's, Washington Co 10 00
St. Stephen's, Goldsboro	50 00	Advent, Williamston 20 00
St. Paul's, Greenville	30 00	St. James', Wilmington 450 00
St. Martin's, Hamilton	15 00	St Paul's, " 100 00
Haw Branch Mission	2 00	St Paul's, "
Holy Trinity, Hertford	50 00	St. Mark's, " 20 00
St. George's, Hyde Co	30 00	St. Thomas, Windsor 40 00
St. Mary's, Kinston	25 00	St. John's, Winton 3 00
Holy Innocents, Lenoir Co	15 00	
St. John's, Makelyville	10 00	\$2,152 00
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The foregoing scale is only recommendatory in so far as applicable to Mission Stations.

Note.—See proceedings following for action as regards assessment on individual communicants of twenty-five cents each.

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OF THE

Proceedings of the Council of 1887.

FIRST DAY.

St. Paul's Church, Edenton, N. O., Wednesday. May 18th, 1887.

The Fourth Annual Council of the Protestant Episcopal Church, in the Diocese of East Carolina, assembled in St. Paul's Church at 10 A. M.

The Rt. Rev., the Bishop of the Diocese, read the Litany and called the Council to order.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following clergymen answered to their names:

The Rt. Rev. Alfred A. Watson, D. D.,

The Rev. Robert B. Drane,

" Luther Eborn,

" " Israel Harding,

" " Nathaniel Harding,

" Thos. B. Haughton,

" James M. Hillyar,

" Horace G. Hilton,

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Opening Service.

The Rev. N. Collin Hughes, D. D.,

- " N. Collin Hughes, Jr.,
- " Joseph C. Huske, D. D.,
- " William H. Lewis,
- " Henry S. McDuffey,
- " Nymphas E. Price,
- " Van Winder Shields,
- " Robert B. Windley.

The roll of Delegates, who had presented certificates of election, was then called, and the following answered to their names:

F. S. Stickney, J. J. Cutler, W. R. Gibbs, Henry Wingate, J. L. Butt, W. B. Shepard, John S. Wood, W. J. Leary, Jr., J. V. McCurdy, R. R. Cotten, Charles Skinner, W. B. Brown, T. L. Williamson, John Hughes, John S. Long, E. K. Bishop, E. S. Hoyt, H. F. Hancock, Wilson G. Lamb, Joseph M. Sitterson, Dr. A J. DeRosset, Col. J. W. Atkinson, Col. W. L. DeRosset, J. J. Jacocks, F. D. Winston, Dr. W. W. Griggs, Geo. E. Brodrick, F. N. Grice, Dr. J. T. Smith.

A quorum being present, the Council took a recess until after Divine Service.

Morning Prayer was said by the Rev. Dr. Hughes and the Rev. N. Harding. The Ante Communion service was read by the Rev. Dr. Huske, the Epistle being read by the Rev. H. G. Hilton. The sermon was preached by the Rev. W. H. Lewis from St. John's 16th chapter, 15th verse: "He shall take of mine and shall show it unto you," and from the collect for the day.

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The offerings of the congregation were received for the Society for the Increase of the Ministry.

The Holy Communion was administered by the Rev. Dr. Hughes, assisted by the Rev. N. Harding.

After Divine Service the Council reassembled, the Bishop in the chair.

On motion of Col. J. W. Atkinson, the Rev. Dr. Hughes was unanimously elected President.

On motion of Rev. R. B. Drane, the Rev. N. Harding was unanimously elected Secretary.

The Chair appointed as the

COMMITTEE ON CREDENTIALS:

The Rev. N. E. Price,

Joseph M. Sitterson, T. L. Williamson.

Charles Skinner moved that the hour for the daily assembling of the Council be half-past 9 o'clock. Carried.

Col. DeRosset moved that when the Council adjourns, it adjourn to meet at 4 P. M. Carried.

The Rev. N. C. Hughes, Jr., at the request of the Secretary, was appointed his Assistant.

The Bishop appointed as the

COMMITTEE ON THE STATE OF THE CHURCH.

The W. H. Lewis, The Rev. Israel Harding, The Rev. R. B. Windley, Col. W. L. DeRosset, W. B. Shepard.

On motion, the Council took a recess until 4 P. M.

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WEDNESDAY AFTERNOON, 4 P. M.

The Council reassembled, the Bishop in the chair.

The Bishop appointed the following committees:

NEW PARISHES.

The Rev. Luther Eborn,

William B. Brown, Joseph L. Butt.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS.

The Rev. H. G. Hilton,

Charles Skinner, J. J. Jacocks.

The Treasurer presented his report. (See Appendix B.)

In the absence of the Finance Committee, Col. W. L. De-Rosset moved that the Treasurer's report be referred to a special committee for their examination. Carried.

A motion to reconsider by Col. J. W. Atkinson, was lost.

Dr. A. J. DeRosset presented and read the report of the Standing Committee as follows:

Report of the Standing Committee to the Annual Council May, 1887:

May 28th, 1886. A meeting was held for reorganization at Goldsboro. Rev. J. C. Huske, D. D., was elected President, A. J. DeRosset, Secretary. July 15th, 1886. At a called meeting in Wilmington, consent was given to the election of Rt. Rev. Daniel Sylvester Tuttle, D. D., as Bishop of the Diocese of Missouri.

September 15th, 1886. At a called meeting in Wilmington, consent in a modified form was given, as follows: To the election of Rt. Rev. Ozi Williams Whitaker, D. D., Missionary Bishop of Nevada, to be Assistant Bishop of the Diocese of Pennsylvania, viz; Having received due notice of the Canonical election of the Rt. Rev. Ozi W. Whitaker, D. D., Missionary Bishop of Nevada, to be Assistant Bishop of the Diocese of Pennsylvania, our consent is hereby given to the same, in accordance with Title I, Canon

15. Section IX, Sub-Section 2 of the Digest. This consent is given with some doubt as to whether the case of an election of a Missionary Bishop to the office of Assistant Bishop of a Diocese is provided for in the Canon above referred to, or by any other legislation of the Church, and this doubt is strengthened by the language used in the Tenth Article of the Constitution, in which a clear distinction is made between the office of a Diocesan and that of an Assistant Bishop.

March 16th, 1887. At a called meeting at Wilmington, the President, Rev. Dr. Huske, being prevented by illness from attending, Rev. T. M. Ambler was appointed President pro. tem. Consent was unanimously given to the consecration of Rev. Elisha Smith Thomas, of Minnesota, as Assistant Bishop in the Diocese of Kansas.

The following resolution was adopted and a copy ordered to be sent to Rev. Dr. Huske

Resolved, That the members present have heard with great regret of the illness of our President, the Rev. Dr. Huske, preventing his attendance at this meeting, and desire to assure him of our sympathy and of our earnest wishes and prayers that his health may be speedily and completely restored.

The Bishop appointed on the special committee to examine the Treasurer's report :

Rev. Dr. Hughes, Rev. V. W. Shields, Col. W. L. DeRosset, Col. J. W. Atkinson, Maj. John Hughes.

Col. J. W. Atkinson presented and read the following report of the Trustees of the Diocese:

The Board of Trustees of the Diocese of East Carolina respectfully report:

That acting under the Resolution of the last Diocesan Convention, found upon pages forty and forty-one of the Journal, refering to them the whole subject of the purchase of the interests of the Parishes of St. John's and St. Mark's, in the property known as the Episcopal Residence, in the city of Wi!mington, and of the repairs to be made upon said property, with full power to determine upon the course best to be taken in the interest of the Diocese, and also with full power to make such purchase, and to call upon the Treasurer for such sum out of the Permanent and Current Episcopal Funds

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as might be necessary for the purposes determined upon; and finding it impossible to make such arrangements with the Parishes of St. John's and St. Mark's aforesaid, as would satisfactorily and unquestionably secure the occupation of the said property for the residence of the Bishop of the Diocese, except by purchase of the interests of said Parishes of St. John's and St. Mark's in the same, having taken legal advice in the premises and in the exercise of the powers conferred upon them as above:

- ist. They have purchased for the Diocese, the interests of the said Parishes of St. John and St. Mark in the aforesaid property, paying to said Parishes \$1,000 each for their respective interests in the same, taking deed in fee simple therefor.
- 2d. They have expended upon the said property in the way of repairs absolutely needed, the sum of \$1,500, in accordance with the words of the original resolution, introduced into the Convention, and found on pages twenty-four and twenty-five of the Journal.
- 3d. They have drawn upon the Treasurer of the Diocese for the sums required as above for the purchase and repairs of said property.
- 4th. To raise the necessary funds for the purchase and repair of the Episcopal Residence, the Treasurer of the Diocese, with the approval of the Board of Trustees, sold twenty-five shares of the stock of the W. & W. R. R. belonging to the Permanent Episcopal Fund, at the price of \$160 per share, which, after deducting \$12.50 commissions paid to the brokers in Richmond, netted \$3,987.50.

ALFRED A. WATSON, Chairman. JOHN WILDER ATKINSON.

Jos. M. Sitterson presented and read the following report of the Committee on Credentials:

The Committee on Credentials ask leave to report: That they have examined the Certificates of Delegates and find the list as read by the Secretary this morning to be and contain the proper Delegates from the various Parishes.

N. E. PRICE,

J. W. SITTERSON,

T. L. WILLIAMSON.

Col. W. L. DeRosset moved that Section 2, Canon 1, and

Sub-Section 4, Section 1, Canon 7, and Rule of Order No. 6, be referred to the Committee on Canous, with a view to making the phraseology consistent, and more clearly defining the duty of the Committee on Credentials. Carried.

On motion the Council adjourned,

SECOND DAY.

THURSDAY MORNING, 9.30 O'CLOCK.

The Council reassembled, the Bishop in the chair.

The roll was called and Thos. S. Armistead and L. I. Fagan not present vesterday, answered to their names.

The minutes of yesterday were read and approved.

The Bishop read his address. [See Appendix A.]

The Rev. V. W. Shields moved that so much of the Bishop's address as refers to the interests of the Diocese be referred to the Committee on the State of the Church. Carried.

The Rev. W. H. Lewis moved that the Committee on the State of Church be requested to report to-night at 8 o'clock, and that their report be made the order of the day at that time. Carried.

Maj. Hughes presented and read the report of the committee appointed on the Mary Ruffin Smith legacy to the Diocese of North Carolina, and the Scholarship in the General Theological Seminary, as follows:

To the Council of the Protestant Episcopal Church, in the Diocese of East Carolina:

The undersigned, a Committee appointed by the last Convention "for the purpose of ascertaining what, if any, are the rights of this Diocese to the property devised by Miss Mary Ruffin Smith, to the Diocese of North Carolina," and also in the North Carolina Scholarship in the General Theological Seminary at New York, respectfully report:

ist. That after a careful consideration, they are unanimously of the opinion that the Diocese of East Carolina has a valid and valuable interest in the real and personal estate so as aforcsaid devised and bequeathed by Miss Mary Ruffin Smith, and also in the said Scholarship, and that the said interests ought to be claimed and asserted.

2d. In the interest of peace and Christian good will, your Committee respectfully recommend that a committee be appointed by each of the said Dioceses, with full powers to adjust and settle their respective rights in the premises; and in case such a committee shall fail to be appointed by either Diocese, or having been appointed by both, the two Committees shall fail to agree upon any adjustment, then that an amicable suit be brought by the Diocese of East Carolina for the purpose of establishing its rights.

JOHN HUGHES, Chairman, GEORGE DAVIS, D. K. MCRAE.

Maj. Hughes offered the following resolutions:

Resolved, That in accordance with the report of the Special Committee appointed at the last Convention, to ascertain what, if any, are the rights of this Diocese in the property bequeathed to the Diocese of North Carolina, by Miss Mary Ruffin Smith in her last will, a committee of three persons be appointed by the Bishop, to meet a similar committee recently appointed by the Diocese of North Carolina, will full power and authority to do and agree upon all such things as may be necessary in their opinion, to secure to this Diocese its rights in the premises. And they are further authorized in the event that no agreement can be reached with the Committee of the Diocese of North Carolina for settlement or amicable suit, to institute such proceedings at law as the said committee, hereby directed to be appointed, shall deem best.

Resolved, That said committee is also authorized to take similar action in regard to the Scholarship in the General Theological Seminary.

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Resolved, That the chairman of said committee, hereby directed to be appointed, shall have power to draw upon the Treasurer of the Diocese for all necessary expenses of said committee incurred in carrying out the objects of these resolutions, and the Treasurer is directed to honor such drafts

The resolutions were adopted.

The Chair appointed as the Committee provided for by the first of the foregoing resolutions:

Maj. John Hughes, Hon. D. K. McRae. Hon. George Davis,

Dr. DeRosset moved that the Bishop be authorized to fill any vacancy that may occur in this Committee during the year. Carried.

Dr. Hughes presented and read the report of the Special Finance Committee:

The Special Finance Committee respectfully report that they have examined the accounts in the report of the Treasurer to this Council, and find them correct. As the securities in the hands of the Treasurer, and his vouchers for moneys disbursed, have been examined by two members of the Finance Committee, and declared by them to be in due order, the Special Committee are fully assured of their correctness, and of their accordance with the report of the Treasurer.

N. COLLIN HUGHES, Chairman.

The Rev. Dr. Huske presented and read the report of the Committee on Canons:

The Committee on Canons beg leave to report that since their appointment at the last Convention no matter has come before them except the resolutions of this Council, referring to them Sec. 2, Canon I, and Sub Sec. 4 of Sec. 1 of Canon VII, in connection with the Rule of Order No. 6.

The Committee have had the same under consideration, and do not deem

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any change in the Canons advisable but the amendment of Sub-Sec. 4, line 4 of Sec. 1 of Canon VII, by inserting the word "Elections" in the Title of the Committee instead of 'Credentials," so that the Canon as amended will read "on Elections" instead of "on Credentials," and the apparent conflict with Rule of Order No. 6 will be reconciled.

In order to accomplish this change, they recommend the adoption of the following resolution:

Resolved, That Canon VII be amended by inserting in Sec. 1, Sub-Sec. 4, line 4, the word "Elections" instead of the word "Credentials."

The appended resolution was unanimously adopted.

Col. W. L. DeRosset moved that the Secretary be instructed, in preparing the Journal for publication, to omit the details of the official acts of the Bishop, giving the information required in Sec. 2, Canon XVII, Title I of the Canons of the General Convention, as contained in his address: To omit the full list of elected Lay delegates, publishing only a list of such as were present at the Council, and in other respects to arrange the Journal as heretofore, causing 900 copies thereof to be printed and distributed as is customary.

Referred to the Committee on Finance.

Dr. DeRosset moved that it be referred to the Finance Committee to consider and report upon the expediency of levying upon all the Parishes a uniform assessment, on the basis of \$1 for each communicant, for the current fiscal year, to provide for the Bishop's salary, and other expenses of the Diocese, fixing the respective amounts in accordance with the number of communicants given in the Parochial Reports, or from some other source of information, in cases where no reports have been made, and also of recommending to Mission Stations to contribute for the same object, on the same basis of \$1 for each communicant on their lists.

Referred to the Committee on Finance.

Committees Appointed.

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The Bishop announced the following

COMMITTEE ON CANONS:

The Rev. J. C. Huske, D. D., The Rev. J. M. Hillyar, The Rev. V. W. Shields,

Dr. A. J. DeRosset, Maj. John Hughes.

COMMITTEE ON FINANCE :

The Rev. N. C. Hughes, D. D., Geo. H. Roberts, The Rev. Jas. Carmichael, D. D., William Calder, H. G. Smallbones.

On, motion, the Council took a recess for the purpose of holding Divine Service.

The Council reassembled after Divine Service.

On motion of Rev. Dr. Hughes, the Bishop was authorized to appoint a Special Finance Committee to act during the present session of the Council. Carried.

The Chair appointed as such Committee:

Rev. Dr. Hughes, Rev. V. W. Shields, Col. W. L. DeRosset, Col. J. W. Atkinson, Maj. John Hughes.

Dr. A. J. DeRosset offered the following resolution:

Resolved, That Section 2 of Canon I be amended so as to read as follows: Sec. 2—Laity - The Vestry of every Parish shall forward to the Secretary before the meeting of each Annual Council, a certified list of the Lay Delegates elected and a duplicate of the names to the minister of the Parish in which the Council is appointed to be held. They shall also furnish to the Secretary a certificate that all dues of the Parish to the Episcopal and Contingent Fund of the Diocese are paid up to the close of the previous fiscal year.

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From these certificates the Secretary shall prepare the list to be called at the opening of the Council, and no name shall be inserted on the roll, nor shall any lay delegate be entitled to a seat, without the evidence of certificates as above required, unless specially ordered by the Council. Defective and doubtful certificates shall be reported for the action of the Council after its organization.

Referred to the Committee on Canons.

Dr. A. J. DeRosset offered the following resolution:

To amend Article 10, Section 3 of the Constitution, to read as follows:

Sec. 3. The Vestry of every Parish shall keep a book for the registration of the names of all baptized male members in good moral standing, of the age of twenty-one years and over; they shall revise and correct the list annually, under the direction (when practicable) of the minister of the Parish. They may add to the list the names of such male members, qualified as above, who may come to the age of maturity up to the date of the next succeeding Parochial election, and none shall be entitled to vote at any election, but those whose names are recorded as herein directed. *Provided*, That this section shall not be taken to infringe upon the legal rights of voters, confered by the charter of any Parish established prior to the year 1859.

Resolved, That this alteration in Section 3 of Article 10 of the Constitution is hereby proposed for final adoption at the next Annual Council.

Laid on the table.

Council took a recess until 4.30 o'clock, P. M.

Thursday Afternoon, 4.30 P. M.

The Council reassembled, the Bishop in the chair.

Wilson G. Lamb offered the following resolutions:

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Resolved 1st, That resident Clergymen not Canonically connected with the Diocese, be invited to occupy seats in the Council.

Resolved 2nd, That the Treasurer be authorized to pay the expenses of Clergymen in attendance upon the Council, who are in charge of Parishes, but not entitled to seats.

The resolutions were adopted.

Col. J. W. Atkinson offered the following resolution:

Resolved, That Article X. Section 3, be amended by striking out the words "or existing customs" in the next to the last line of that section.

Referred to the Committee on Canons.

Rev. V. W. Shields offered the following resolution:

Resolved, That the "by him, as well as of all the baptisms, marriages, confirmations and funerals" be stricken out in Canon XVII, Section 1.

Referred to Committee on Canons.

The Rev. H. G. Hilton presented and read the following report from the Committee on Unfinished Business:

The Committee on Unfinished Business have to report that they have examined the Journal of the last Convention and find no matter of that character to report.

H. G. HILTON.

Rev. V. W. Shields offered the following resolution:

Resolved, That the form of Parochial Reports in Section 3, XVII. be amended so as to make the reports to come down to April 27th, preceding each Annual Council; and be further amended by allowing space and having printed thereon proper headings for the placing of Contributions to the Relief Fund, The Student's Aid Fund, and the Church Building Fund, under the general head of Diocesan Contributions.

Referred to Committee on Canons.

Election of Treasurer.

Col. J. W. Atkinson moved that the Treasurer of the Diocese shall pay to the Bishop, whenever he shall have in hand a sufficient surplus of the Current Episcopal Fund, such sum as it may appear was expended by the Bishop, for repairs to the Episcopal Residence in excess of the original appropriation of \$1,500. Carried.

The Rev. N. Harding nominated Dr. A. J. DeRosset for Treasurer.

The ballot was dispensed with and he was unanimously elected.

Dr. A. J. DeRosset moved that the Treasurer be directed to transfer to the credit of the Current Episcopal and Contingent Fund, the uninvested balance of \$368.77, now at credit of the Permanent Episcopal Fund, to be restored to the latter Fund whenever the condition of the Current Fund shall admit of the amount being repaid without inconvenience to the interests of the Diocese. Carried.

Col. W. L. DeRosset moved that Section 3, Canon XXI, be so amended as to read, "any surplus remaining at the close of the fiscal year in which the Triennial General Convention is held, of any of the aforesaid funds, or from current receipts from assessments or otherwise, shall, after payment of all expenses and appropriations, be added to the Permanent Fund to which such surplus belongs."

Referred to the Committee on Canons.

On motion, the Council went into the election of the Standing Committee, and the following were elected:

The Rev. Joseph C. Huske, D. D., A. J. DeRosset, M. D., The Rev. N. Collin Hughes, D. D., John Hughes. The Rev. Robert B. Drane.

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The following were elected as the Executive Misssonary Committee:

Rev. N. Harding, Rev. V. W. Shields, E. S. Hoyt, G. H. Roberts, John S. Long.

The following were elected as the Students' Aid Committee:

Rev. W. H. Lewis.

William Calder, H. G. Smallbones.

The following were elected as the Church Building Committee:

Rev. R. B. Drane,

F. A. Boyle,

Rev. T. B. Haughton.

On motion the Council adjourned until 8 P. M.

THURSDAY 8 O'CLOCK, P. M.

Council reassembled, the Bishop in the chair.

The Rev. W. H. Lewis presented and read the report of the Committee on the State of the Church:

To the Diocesan Council:

Your Committee beg leave to report that they have made a careful review of the parochial reports, and also of the portions of the Bishop's address submitted to them by action of the Council, and have selected therefrom the following, as furnishing topics of vital interest to the Diocese:

1st. The comparisons of the statistics of this year with those of last, and

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the statements of the Treasurer's report, seem to indicate a decided and dangerous lack of interest on the part of its members in the welfare and support of the current and the missionary needs of the Diocese. It is not in our province to locate or to account for this state of things, but to call attention to its existence and its dangers, and if possible, to suggest a remedy We believe the root of the whole difficulty lies in the fact that christian men and women of the Church have forgotten to put their debt to God first on the list of their liabilities, to have first claim, therefore, from its very position and importance, upon their assets. This is beyond doubt the true estimate of a christian man's obligation to the Church of Christ, and none other less than this, will satisfy the obligation. We therefore feel justified in recommending that the binding nature of this obligation should be impressed upon the minds of those who cannot be brought to remember it in any other way by penalties and forfeitures of privileges for dereliction of duty.

We would urge that the Contingent Fund, and the Mission needs of the Diocese in the aggregate be provided for by an assessment, per capita upon the communicants, and the rate to be fixed by the Finance Committee, and the forfeiture of right to Lay representation in the Council be the penalty for neglect of payment. This may seem harsh, and cause a temporary rebellion in some quarters, but it is no more unjust or exacting that the present state of things, which year after year compels the willing few to bear the burdens of the indifferent and careless many.

Your Committee call attention to the existence of two Missionary Convocations in the Diocese, organized for work, but lying comparatively idle so far, which in their opinion are capable of being made effective in arousing interest in Church work, and in carrying that work on. We would suggest that the Bishop call these into active labors, and that the members take immediate steps to enter upon some of the mission work that is awaiting their inclinations and efforts all throughout the field.

Your Committee has prepared and herewith submits a draft of Parochial Reports, made to conform to the requirements of the new Triennial Report to the General Convention. We ask the reference of the proposed form to the Committee on Canons.

We would also call the attention of churchmen to the efforts of the *Church Messenger*, printed in Charlotte, to furnish a vehicle of information for every one of Diocesan news and needs, and to the very meagre character of the patronage so far given that effort. If this paper could be used by the Diocesan Convocations for making their work and wants known, and

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Church people throughout the Diocese could be brought to read, mark, learn and digest the information thus afforded, good results would certainly follow.

We ask a full and earnest discussion of these matters, in the hope that some practical conclusion may be arrived at and remedies provided.

WM. H. LEWIS, Chairman.
ISRAEL HARDING,
R. B. WINDLEY,
W. L. DEROSSET,
W. B. SHEPARD.

Rev W. H. Lewis offered the following resolutions:

Resolved, That the Missionary Convocations of the Diocese be requested to take steps at once, under the direction of the Bishop, for systematic visitations of Mission Stations, weak Parishes and unoccupied fields, asking the co-operation of Missionaries and neighboring Parish Ministers, in order that the claims of the Church of Christ may be presented to the people, and renewed interest in spiritual matters be awakened among them.

Carried.

Resolved, 2d, That this Council earnestly recommend to the several Parishes that they take some active measures in ways that may best commend themselves to those charged with the duty, to provide for the payment of the traveling expenses of at least one lay delegate to the Council.

Carried.

Resolved, 3d, That the Finance Committee of the Diocese be instructed to apportion the contingent expenses and the funds needed for mission work, upon the basis of last year's report, among the communicants of the Parishes, and to inform the Vestries of all Parishes that failure to meet these assessments will involve their right to representation in the Council.

Referred to the Committee on Finance.

The Council took a recess until 9.30 to-morrow morning.

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Election of Trustees.

THIRD DAY.

FRIDAY MORNING, 9.30 O'CLOCK.

The Bishop read the Litany, and called the Council to order.

The Minutes of yesterday were read and approved.

The Bishop called the Rev. W. H. Lewis to the chair.

On motion, the Council went into election of Trustees of the Diocese. The tellers reported the following elected:

Hon George Davis,

Col. J. W. Atkinson.

The Council went into election of the Trustees of the University of the South, and the following were elected:

Rev. V. W. Shields,

Maj. Graham Daves, W. B. Shephard.

Rev. Dr. Huske offered the following resolution:

Resolved, That the next Annual Council of the Diocese be held in St. John's Parish. Fayetteville, on the fourth Wednesday in May, 1888.

George E. Brodrick moved to amend by substituting Christ Church, Elizabeth City, for St. John's, Fayetteville. The amendment was lost.

The resolution was adopted.

Thomas S. Armistead offered the following resolution of thanks:

Resolved, That the thanks of this Council are heartily tendered to the Rector, Wardens, Vestry and Congregation of St. Paul's Parish and to the citizens of Edenton at large for the cordial hospitality shown to this body.

Carried.

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A motion to go into election of Deputies to the General Convention was laid on the table.

The Rev. Dr. Huske presented and read the report of the Committee on Canons, and the appended resolutions were concurred in:

The Committee on Canons respectfully report on the various matters brought before them by resolutions of the Council:

First. That they deem it inexpedient to make the change proposed in Article X of the Constitution by striking out the words or "existing customs," or to make the change in Canon I, Sec. 2, requiring the certificate of the payment of all dues to the Episcopal and Contingent Fund as a condition of a right to a seat in the Council, and ask to be discharged from their further consideration.

Secondly. They recommend the adoption of the following resolution:

Resolved, That the first Section of Canon XXII be amended so as to read as follows, viz: Section I.—Private and Parish Registers—Each Clergyman of this Diocese shall keep a Register of all Baptisms, Confirmations, Marriages and Funerals within his Parish or Cure, specifying the names of the persons in each instance, etc.

Thirdly. They recommend the adoption of the following resolution:

Resolved. That the following change be made in Section 3 of Canon XVII. Section 3.—Parochial Reports—Each Clergyman shall report to the Bishop, at least two weeks before the meeting of each Annual Council, all his official acts from the close of his last report up to and including April 30th preceding the Annual Council, and all information concerning the state of his Parish or Cure, according to the following form. He shall also specify all his official acts outside his Cure; and also that the Form of Parochial Report in this Section 3 be amended by inserting after Diocesan Missions, Relief Fund, Students' Aid Fund, and Church Building Fund.

Fourthly. The Committee recommend the adoption of the following resolution:

Resolved, That Section 3 of Canon XXI, be amended by striking out the word "shall" in the fourth line and inserting the words "may by order of the Council."

J. C. HUSKE, Chairman.

Rev. T. B. Haughton presented and read the report of the Church Building Committee:

In accordance with Canon VII, Section 5, the Church Building Committee respectfully report to the Council that the balance to credit of its funds at our last report was \$49.15. The Treasurer's account adds to this date, \$76.68, which makes a total of \$125.83, subject to our order. The Committee has made the following appropriations.

To St. Thomas', Craven County\$	25	00
To St John the Evangelist	25	00
To St. Barnabas', Snow Hill,	25	00
To the Church at Pantego.	25	OÒ.
To the Church at Aurora	21	83

It may be well to state that besides the above, \$10.73 have been contributed to the larger interest of the American Church Building Fund, of which two of our Committee are Diocesan Commissioners. We would urge obedience to the Canon, and active interest in this work of the American Church.

ALFRED A. WATSON, Chairman, ROBERT B. DRANE, T. B. HAUGHTON.

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Rev. V. W. Shields presented and read the report of the Trustees of the University of the South:

In accordance with the requirements of Section 2 of Canon IX, the undersigned Trustees of the University of the South, respectfully offer the following report:

The meeting of the Board of Trustees, July 29th—August 5th, 1886, was attended by the Clerical Trustee of the Diocese. The Board of Trustees found the University with all its prospects apparently advancing. The institution, while growing in its usefulness to the Church and country at large, on its basis of sound and practical Christian education, is correspondingly realizing its claims to the confidence and support of churchmen all over the land. There are in attendance upon the University during the present year, two hundred and fifty students, the largest number, it is believed, at any one time in its history. Some of the leading churchmen in the country have recently published important statements bearing testimony to the high standard and excellence of its classical schools, and to its great

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value to the Church and to society, owing to its distinctive characteristics. Among those are some of the most prominent Bishops and Clergy of the Church in the North, whose knowledge of its system and working, is based on personal investigation, and whose testimony is all the more valuable because they have been in nowise connected with the institution, and because their knowledge of its real achievements, within its brief history, has been declared to be a revelation to them. The reputation as a classical school is sufficiently declared in the facts that its degrees are sought by scholars in the United States, and by others connected with renowned English Universities, and that, the most famous Hellenist of this country, Dr. Basil Gildersleeve, of Johns Hopkins University, has become connected with its Faculty, conducting a summer school in Ancient Literature and Criticism, as part of the University system, but distinct in its work and discipline. The Theological Department includes twenty-five or thirty students, a part of whom are in orders and doing mission work adjacent to the Institution.

This Department is dependent on the voluntary offering of the Church for the maintenance of its Professions. With the assent of all the Southern Dioceses, an assessment is annually laid upon each one, proportionate to its strength; of that which has been asked from our own Diocese for the past year, less than one-half has been paid. The Theological Department has already graduated and sent out into the field thirty-five or forty Clergymen, who are doing good work in the Church. It is now thoroughly equipped in all its various schools for giving the very best training to students, with advantages superior in many respects to any attainable in this country. Our own Diocese, in common with all those which contribute to its support, has the right to Scholarships in this department, which has reached that eminence which demands that which it justly claims—the loyalty and sympathy and support of the Church people of the South, for whose intellectual and spiritual advancement it is faithfully working.

Rev. V. W. Shields offered the following resolution:

Resolved, That an offering for the Theological Department of the University of the South be made one of Canonical requirement in the Diocese.

Referred to the Committee on Canons.

Rev. V. W. Shields read the report of the Executive Missionary Committee:

Report of Executive Missionary Committee.

The Committee held a meeting during the Convention at Goldsboro, at which it appropriated \$1,000 to the Missionaries working within the Diocese. This amount has been paid in full as according to the Treasurer's report. In accordance with a resolution adopted at the last Convention, favoring the attempt to increase the Missionary offerings to \$2,000, and in obedience to instructions therein, the Committee in November sent out to the Parishes an assessment, based on the assessment for Diocesan purposes, with the hope of securing that amount. At the close of the last fiscal year the Mission fund had a balance to its credit of \$579, the whole amount of offerings for the year 1886-87, from all sources, has been \$1,173.62, as against \$912.67 for 1885-86, showing an increase of \$260.95; the available fund for the year has been \$1,692.62, including the balance mentioned above, and there is at present a credit balance to the fund of \$616.34.

N. HARDING, V. W. SHIELDS, E. S. HOYT.

Rev. J. M. Hillyar offered the following resolution:

Resolved, That the thanks of this Council be tendered to Miss Julia. Emory, Secretary of the Woman's Auxiliary of the Board of Missions for the information she has given as to that branch of Church work and the evident additional interest that has been aroused.

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Rev. Dr. Hughes presented and read the report of the Special Finance Committee:

The Committee on Finance respectfully report that upon a review of the financial condition of the Diocese as set forth in the Treasurer's report, we find no cause for alarm, but on the contrary, somewhat for encouragement and thankfulness. The number of Parishes contributing and the amounts contributed to the Relief, Students' Aid, and Church Building Funds respectively, show an increase over the preceding year. This is particularly gratifying, as manifesting on the part of the Clergy a livelier sense of their Canonical obligations than has been exhibited hitherto. The amount contributed to Diocesan Missions by the Bishop's collections is \$392.37 this year as against \$352.68, shows an increase from this sourse of nearly \$40.

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The regular contributions by the Parishes this year is \$136,36 in excess of what it was last year. Last year these contributions, omitting the contribution from one Parish, amounted to only \$157.99. This year that amount has been nearly trebled; altogether the sum realized is far short of the \$2,000 apportioned among them by the Executive Missionary Committee; but this deficit may in part be accounted for by the fact of the late period in the fiscal year in which the apportionment was made. It is earnestly hoped that the close of the present fiscal year will exhibit a general compliance on the part of the Parishes and Mission Stations with the obligations resting upon them as members of the Church of Christ for the extension of His Kingdom, obligations to which they themselves have recognized by their own formal acts in the Convention of 1886. The Treasurer reports a deficit this year in the Episcopal and Contingent Fund of \$457.49; it is true that this is largely owing to the extraordinary expense incurred this year in connection with the General Convention, but it is also apparent to your Committee that the income from the Permanent Episcopal Fund, supplemented by the assessment upon the Parishes, is not sufficient to provide for the expenses of the Diocese. This is a subject of vital consequence, affecting our very existence as a Diocese. These expenses must be provided for, if • they are not, we must cease to exist as an independent Diocese. We do not find any general delinquency on the part of the Parishes in paying their assessments. With few exceptions, these assessments have been paid in full. It is necessary, therefore, that the amount assessed upon the Parishes should be increased. This can readily be done in a way in which it will hardly be felt to be a burden, viz by imposing an additional per capita assessment of twenty-five cents upon each communicant.

Your Committee have decided to recommend this plan instead of the various suggestions referred to them by the resolutions of the Council. They are of the opinion that no change should be made in the Scale of Assessments now, except in the case of Christ Church, Elizabeth City. In consideration of representations made by Delegates from that Parish, it seems best that their arrearges of \$346.13 as reported, should be erased from the record, but that their assessment should be increased to \$75 per annum instead of \$50 as hitherto.

Your Committee are of the opinion that if the Clergy, as overseers of these Parishes, and as Stewards of God's appointment, in authority over their fellow servants, would be careful to see that their assessments are paid quarterly (as by lay required), that the few Parishes now delinquent, might be brought into rank with their sister Parishes in meeting the expenses of

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the Diocese. Indeed, in regard to this whole matter of giving, very much will depend upon the careful and prayerful actions of the Clergy. We are assured there is no lack of ability to contribute far more than is given to the various Diocesan, as well as other funds of religious obligations. It is the part of the Clergy to teach and impress upon the Laity their duty as Stewards of their Lord's goods, and as loving children of their Heavenly Father, redeemed by the blood of His dear Son, to give gladly, largely, and systematically to all the instrumentalities which Christ has appointed, and which the Church, by his authority has appointed, for promoting God's honor and the salvation of men.

The Committee therefore propose the following resolutions:

Resolved, 1st., That the sum of \$346.13, now standing on the Treasurer' book as arrears of Christ Church, Elizabeth City, be erased from the record, and that the assessment on the Parish be hereafter \$75.

Resolved, 2nd, That in addition to the assessments as already established, a per capita amount of twenty-five cents be laid upon each communicant of this Church.

Resolved, 3rd, That a separate column in the Parochial Report be set apart for the individual assessments of communicants, and the Treasurer keep the same in a separate column.

Resolved, 4th, That uine hundred copies of the Journal be printed for the use of the Diocese.

N. COLLIN HUGHES, Chairman.

The minutes of the day's session were read and approved.

It was moved that after suitable devotions the Council adjourn *sine die*.

The Gloria in Excelses was sung, prayers were offered by the Bishop, who pronounced the benediction, and the Council adjourned *sine die*.

NATHANIEL HARDING, Secretary.



APPENDIX A.

EPISCOPAL ADDRESS.



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DEAR BRETHEREN OF THE CLERGY AND LAITY:

It pleases God to bring us once more together for consultation upon the interests of that portion of His Kingdom which has been committed to our hands. May He vouchsafe us the blessed influence of the Holy Ghost, to take from us the spirit of self-will and selfishness, to guard us against all narrowness of judgment or of feeling, and enable us in the spirit of loving kindness and devotion, and in largeness of mind and heart to do all to His glory for whose pleasure we are and were created.

In accordance with the law of the Church, I make the following report of acts performed by me since my last annual address:

1886.—May 26th. At S. Stephen's, Goldsboro, in concert with the Clergy of the Diocese, I conducted the opening services of the Diocesan Convention, the Rev. Israel Harding preaching the opening sermon, and the Holy Communion being administered.

May 27th and 28th. Opened the Daily sessions of the Convention with prayer.

May 28th. Closed the sessions with an address and prayer, the Convention adjourning sine die. At Evening Prayer, at S. Stephen's, Goldsboro, took part in the service.

May 29th. Gave the Rev. H. H. Phelps, Deacon, at his

own request, and that of the Bishop of South Carolina, a letter dimissory to the latter Diocese. Rev. Mr. Phelps had been doing excellent work in Beaufort and Pamlico Counties. His removal is to be regretted.

May 30th, Sunday, 5th after Easter. In the morning, at S. Stephen's, Goldsboro, catechised, officiated at Morning Prayer and Litany, preached and celebrated.

At night, at S. Gabriel's, Faison, officiated at Evening Prayer, preached and celebrated.

June 3d. Holy Thursday. S. Thomas', Windsor, officiated at Morning and Evening Prayer, celebrated, preached, catechised, and confirmed two white persons. Met the Vestry.

June 5th. S. Mark's Memorial Chapel, Roxobel, Bertie County, officiated at Morning Prayer, preached, celebrated, and confirmed one white person.

June 6th. Sunday after Ascension. Grace Church, Woodville, Bertie County, officiated at Morning and Evening Prayer, preached, catechised, celebrated, confirmed one white person and met the Vestry.

June 9th. Holy Innocents, Avoca, officiated at Morning Prayer, preached, celebrated, and confirmed two white persons.

At this time I received and accepted a letter dimissory in favor of Rev. Robert Jefferson Walker, from the Diocese of Iowa. Rev. Mr. Walker had already moved to Elizabeth City, and had taken charge of the work there. By the law of the Church, however, his formal connection with the Parish and with the Diocese could commence only with the acceptance of the letter dimissory. Mr. Walker's work at Elizabeth City has been eminently satisfactory. The Parish has visibly and largely grown in numbers and in quality of Christian life.

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June 10th. At the house of Walter Tunis, Esq., Tunis' Mills, Hertford County, said Morning Prayer and made an address. At the same time and place I baptized one infant and one adult, both white.

June 11th, S. John's, Winton, said Morning and Evening Prayer, preached celebrated, and confirmed one white person.

June 13th, Whitsunday, S. Barnabas, Murfreesboro, said Morning and Evening Prayer, preached, celebrated, baptized one white adult and confirmed two white persons.

June 15th, At a private house in Gatesville; Met some of the communicants of the parish for consultation upon church work and personal holy living.

June 16th, S. Mary's, Gatesville, said Morning Prayer and Litany, preached, baptized four white children, and celebrated.

June 17th, S. Peter's, Gates County, said Morning Prayer, preached and celebrated.

June 18th, Met the vestry of S. Mary's parish, Gatesville. June 19th, S. Paul's, Edenton, took part in Morning Prayer. In the afternoon, in a school house at Rockahock, officiated at Evening Prayer and preached.

June 20th, Trinity Sunday. S. Paul's Edenton, officiated at Morning and Evening Prayer, preached, catechised, celebrated, and confirmed six persons, of whom three were colored. Met the vestry. In the afternoon of the same day catechised the children of the colored congregation of S. John, Evangelist.

June 22d, Holy Trinity, Hertford, officiated at Morning and Evening Prayer, celebrated and confirmed one white person. Met the vestry.

June 23rd, Baptist Church, Woodville, Perquimans County said Evening Prayer and preached. Same afternoon, at a private house, in Woodville, baptized a white infant.

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June 25th, S. Joseph's, Camden Court House, officiatedat Morning Prayer, preached and celebrated. Same day, at Christ Church, Elizabeth City, officiated at Evening Prayer, and met the vestry of Christ Church parish.

June 26th, S. John's, Newbegun, officiated at Morning Prayer, preached, baptized and confirmed a white adult, and celebrated.

June 27th, Sunday, 1st after Trinity, Christ Church, Elizebeth City, officiated at Morning and Evening Prayer, preached catechised celebrated and confirmed two white persons.

June 28th. S. John's, South Mills, said Evening Prayer, preached and catechised.

June 29th, F stival, S. Peter, S. John's, South Mills, said Morning Prayer, preached, baptized one white infant, and celebrated.

July 2nd, Gave my consent to the election of the Rt. Rev. Daniel S. Tuttle, D. D. to the Episcopate of Missouri.

July 4th, Sunday, 2nd after Trinity, S. James', Wilmington, officiated at Morning Prayer.

July 11th, Sunday, 3rd after Triniy, S. Philip's, Smithville, said Morning and Evening Prayer, preached and celebrated.

July 18th, Sunday 4th after Trinity, Baptist Church, Burgaw, said Morning and Evening Prayer, and Preached. In the afternoon, at a private house, baptized a white infant.

July 20th, At S. Paul's, Wilmington, baptized a white infant.

July 25th, Sunday, 5th after Trinity, S. Paul's Wilmington, said Morning Prayer and preached. At a later hour, at S. Mark's, Wilmington, celebrated and preached. In the afternoon at S. Mark's, said Evening Prayer, preached and baptized a colored infant.

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July 30th, Gave my consent the election of Rt. Rev Ozi W. Whitaker, D. D., to the Assistant Bishopric of Pennsylvania.

Aug. 1st, Sunday, 6th after Trinity, Baptist Church, Lake Waccamaw, said Morning Prayer and preached. Same day, at a private house, celebrated. Same day, at a private house, said Evening Prayer, preached, and confirmed three white persons.

Aug. 3rd, At a school house, in Bladen County, said Morning Prayer and preached. Same day, at a private house, celebrated.

Aug. 8th, Sunday, 7th after Trinity, S. Paul's Wilmington, said Morning and Evening Prayer, preached and celebrated. Same night, at S. Mark's, Wilmington, took part in Evening Prayer.

Aug. 15th, Sunday, 8th after Trinity, At Cronly, said Morning and Evening Prayer, preached and celebrated.

Aug. 22nd, Sunday, 9th after Trinity, At a private house, near Point Caswell, Pender County, celebrated. Same day, in a school house, in Pender County, said Morning Prayer, preached, baptized a white child, and confirmed one white person.

Aug 23rd, Received, by letter dimissory from the Bishop of Western New York, Rev. Charles T. Coerr. Mr Coerr has been elected Rector of S. Mark's [colored] parish, Wilmington, where he has rendered very efficient service.

Aug. 25th, At the "Orton", in Wilmington, baptized a white adult.

Aug. 27th, Lake Waccamaw, officiated at the funeral of Col. Henry B. Short. Few men have made a deeper impression upon the community in which they lived, or at death have left a deeper void, than Mr. Short. A friend of more

than forty years and of more than usual nearness, specially congenial, hospitable, and open-handed. his house was always open to me as a guest, and his purse for any appeals for religion or beneficence.

Aug. 29th, Sunday, 10th after Trinity, S. Paul's Church Beaufort, officiated at Morning and Evening Prayer, preached, catechised, celebrated, and confirmed five white persons. In the afternoon, at S. Paul's Chapel, officiated at Evening Prayer and preached to S. Clement's [colored] congregation. The service at this Mission is maintained by a colored Lay-Reader, Mr. Frank W. Gibble, who has now for some years labored, as I believe, faithfully in his work.

Aug. 30'h, S. Paul's Chapel, Beaufort, officiated at Evening Prayer, confirmed two white persons, and addressed the parish Guild. While at Beaufort, met the vestry of S. Paul's.

Sept. 3rd, At a private house in Magnolia, baptized a white child.

Sept. 5th, Sunday, 11th after Trinity, S. Paul's, Clinton, said Morning and Evening Prayer, preached catechised, baptized two white children, and celebrated.

Sept. 6th, Met the vestry of S. Paul's, Clinton.

Sept. 15th, Wednesday, S. James' Wilmington, In the presence of Rev. Joseph C. Huske, D. D., Rev. Thomas M. Ambler, and Rev. William H. Lewis, pronounced the deposition from the ministry of this Church of the Rev. John Kiernan, former Rector of Christ Church parish, Elizabeth City, he having renounced the ministry of this Church and joined himself to the Church of Rome.

Sept. 19th, Sunday, 13th after Trinity, S. Paul's, Wilmington, officiated at Morning Prayer and preached. In the afternoon, at S. James', officiated at Evening Prayer.

Sept. 21st, Festival of S. Matthew, S. James', Wilming-

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ton, celebrated.

Sept. 26th, Sunday, 14th after Trinity, S. Mark's, Wilmington, took part in the service. Same day, at S. John's officiated at Evening Prayer.

Sept. 28th, At a private house, at Lake Waccamaw, a little after midnight, administered the Communion to a sick person. Same day, at Wilmington, in a private house, confirmed an aged and infirm colored woman.

Sept. 29th, Festival of S. Michael and All Angels, S. James', Wilmington, celebrated. Same day, at a private house, in Wilmington, administered the Communion to a sick person.

During the month of October I was engaged at Chicago in attendance upon the General Convention. It was my first prolonged association with the members of the House of Bishops, and has many pleasing memories for me. Much interesting debate was had, and much important business transacted, of some of which I will speak more fully before I have done

It is due to the citizens of Chicago, both Clergy and Laity, to say that their hospitality went far beyond the understanding to which the General Convention had come upon the subject, and has left many a pleasing and abiding memory in the hearts of the Deputies. It is not too much, indeed then, to say that the arrangements were in some respects more complete than I have ever known them, in a membership of the General Convention for now thirty six years.

During my stay in the north, I officiated repeatedly; for the most part in Brooklyn. As, however, these services do not belong to my Diocesan work, I forbear enumerating them.

Nov. 25th, At a private house in Bladen County, I married a couple

It may be well for me to say just here that upon assuming

my present office, I made it a rule for myself that ordinarily I would not baptize or marry within the cures of my Clergy.

There has been much loose practice in this matter. I hold it to be due to the respect in which a pastor should be held by his parishioners, and to the tenderness of the relation, paternal on the one side, filial on the other, that all such pastoral offices should be sought by the members of his flock at his hands. I have known the feelings of an affectionate and sensitive pastor deeply wounded by the neglect of this courtesy. Especially, does a departure from the rule seem to be objectionable, when, with a view to the greater eclat of the service, the interposition of the Bishop as the higher officer is invoked. For these, and other reasons, I have adopted the rule I have mentioned. Of course, rules are liable to exceptions, and this among the rest. When the pastor is a Deacon, and I am present, I do not hesitate to baptize, being guided by the language of the Ordinal giving the Deacon authority, in the absence of the Priest, to baptize. Then there are cases in which it is the earnest wish of the pastor himself, though a Priest, that the Bishop should officiate. Again there are cases, as in that which I have just reported, where the parties are not, or the lady is not, a resident of any particular But I hold the rule to be a good one, and one by which I propose to abide hereafter, even more rigidly than I have done so far.

Nov. 28th, Advent Sunday, S. James', Wilmington, officiated at Morning Prayer.

Same day, S. John's, Wilmington, officiated at Evening Prayer.

Dec. 5th, Sunday, 2nd in Advent, S. John's, Wilmington, officiated, celebrated and preached.

Dec. 8th, Held a benediction service for the Rectory of S.

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It gives me pleasure to report that this congregation, under the stirring guidance of their pastor, Rev. C. T. Coerr, has purchased and very nearly paid for a roomy and commodious Rectory. The balance due on the purchase money having been assured by certain members of the congregation, the service of the benediction was permissible. The parish is making an encouraging and honorable advance toward being self-sustaining, the contributions from the congregation toward the support of the Rector, amounting to about \$500 per annum.

Dec. 12th, Sunday, 3rd in Advent, S. Mark's, Wilmington, officiated at Morning Prayer and preached. In the afternoon of the same day in a private house administered the Communion to a sick person.

Dec. 19th, Sunday, 4th in Advent: S. Mark's, Wilmington, said Morning Prayer and preached.

Dec. 20th, In the afternoon in the same Church, said the Burial Office over the body of a colored child.

Dec. 25th, Christmas Day, S. Mark's, Wilmington, said Morning Prayer, preached and celebrated.

Dec. 26th, Sunday, 1st After Christmas, S. Mark's, Wilmington, said Morning Prayer and preached.

In the afternoon at S. James', took part in the Service.

Dec. 28th, Festival of the Innocents, S. John's, Wilmington, took part in the Children's Service and addressed them.

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Jan. 9, Sunday, 1st After Epiphany, S. James', Wil-

mington, took part in the Service. Same day, in the afternoon, officiated at the funeral of a lady of S. James' parish.

Jan. 16th, Sunday, 2nd After Epiphany, S. John's, Wilmington, officiated at Morning and Evening Prayer and preached.

Jan. 23d, Sunday, 3rd After Epiphany, At Wilmington, took part in Morning Service at S. James, in the afternoon Service at S. John's and in the night Service at S. Paul's. At each of these services, we had the pleasure of having with us, and hearing the Rt. Rev. Wm. J. Boone, D. D., Missionary Bishop of Shanghai

Jan. 24th, At S. Mark's at Evening Prayer, took part in the Service. Rt. Rev. the Bishop of Shanghai, preaching.

Jan. 30th, Sunday, 4th After Epiphany, At S. Mark's, Wilmington, officiated at Morning and Evening Prayer, preaching at night and confirming sixteen colored candidates. The same day, in the afternoon, at a private house, administered the Communion to a sick person.

February 3rd, S. John's, Newbegun, officiated at Morning Prayer, preached and celebrated. The same day, at night, met the Vestry of Christ Church, Elizabeth City.

Feb. 4th, Christ Church, Elizabeth City, officiated at Morning and Evening Prayer, celebrated in the morning, preached at night, and confirmed six white persons. In the afternoon of the same day, catechised the children and at a Service appointed for the colored members of the parish, confirmed one person of color.

Feb 5th, S. Joseph's, Camden Court House, said Prayer and preached.

Feb 6th, Septuagesima, At S. John's, South Mills, said Morning and Evening Prayer, preached and celebrated.

Feb 7th, In Methodist Church, at Woodville, Perquimans County, said Evening Prayer and preached.

Feb 8th, In the Academy at Coleraine, took part in Evening Prayer and preached. This was my first visit. The congregation was a good one. There are a few members of the Church at this place to whom, for the most of the time the services of the Church are inaccessible. Rev. Mr. Drane, who was with me, has undertaken to visit them when he can do so.

Feb. 9, School House at Rockahock, took part in Evening Prayer and preached.

Feb. 10th, At the Rectory of S. Paul's, Edenton: Met the Vestry of the Parish.

Feb. 11th, S. Paul's, Edenton, officiated at Morning and Evening Prayer, preached, catechised, celebrated and confirmed three white persons and one colored, the latter being a member of the colored mission of S. John Evangelist. After the night Service, met the officers of S. John Evangelist Mission.

Feb. 13th, Sexagessima, At Holy Trinity, Hertford, officiated at Morning and Evening Prayer, preached, catechised, and celebrated.

Feb. 15th, In a private house, at Tunis Mills, said Morning Prayer and preached. In the afternoon, at S. John's Winton, said Evening Prayer and preached.

Feb. 17th, S. Barnabas, Murfreesboro, said Morning and Evening Prayer, preached and celebrated.

Feb. 18th S. John's Winton, said Morning Prayer and preached.

Feb 20th, Quinquagessima, S. Peter's, Gates County, meeting no congregation at the Church, by reason of a violent storm prevailing, I returned and held Service at a private

house, preaching and celebrating. At night, at S. Mary's. Gatesville, said Evening Prayer and preached. After Service met the Vestry.

Feb. 21st, S. Mary's, Gatesville; Preached and celebrated. Feb. 22d, At Holy Innocents, Avoca, Bertie County, said Morning Prayer, preached and celebrated.

Feb. 23d, Ash Wednesday, At S. Thomas', Windsor, said Morning Prayer and preached.

Feb. 24th Grace Church, Woodville, Bertie County, officiated at Morning Prayer, preached, catechised the children, celebrated, and confirmed two white persons. Met the Vestry.

Feb. 25th, S. Mark's Memorial Chapel, Roxabel: Officiated at Morning Prayer, preached, celebrated, and confirmed three white persons.

Feb. 27th, Sunday, 1st in Lent, S. Thomas' Windsor, said Morning and Evening Prayer, preached, catechised, and celebrated. Met the Vestry.

Feb. 28th, Grace Church, Plymouth, in the morning celebrated and preached. At night took part in Evening Prayer, preached, and confirmed three white persons. After service met the Vestry.

March 1st, S. Luke's, Washington County, officiated at Morning Prayer, preached, celebrated, and confirmed two white persons. After service met the Vestry.

March 2nd, S. David's Scuppernong, officiated at Morning Prayer, celebrated, preached, and confirmed four white persons. Met the Vestry.

March 3rd, S. Andrew's, Columbia celebrated and preached. In the afternoon, at S. David's Scuppernong: Took part in a funeral.

March 6th, Sunday, 2nd in Lent. S. Martin's, Hamil-

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ton, said Morning and Evening Prayer, preached, catechised, celebrated, and confirmed four white persons. Met the Vestry.

March 7th, At a private house in Hamilton, administered the Communion to a sick person, a faithful daughter of the Church, gone the past week to her reward. The same day, at night, at the Church of the Advent, Williamston: Officiated at Evening Prayer and preached.

March 11th, At S. James' Home, Wilmington, held a Sisterhood Service for the members of the Sisterhood of the Good Shepherd, at work in S. James' Parish. These services, which, as one of the Chaplains of the Sisterhood, I hold occasionally, are precomposed and authorized; though being of the nature of family prayer, they do not fall within the restrictions of the Prayer Book.

March 13th, Sunday, 3rd in Lent, S. John's, Wilmington, officiated at Morning Prayer. At night, at S. James', Wilmington, took part in the Services and preached.

March 20th, Sunday, 4th in Lent, S. John's, Fayetteville, said Morning Prayer, preached, celebrated, and confirmed seven white persons. Met the Vestry.

Same day, in the afternoon, at Christ Church, Rockfish, said Evening Prayer, preached, and confirmed two white persons. Same day, at night, at S. Joseph's, Fayetteville, [Colored]: Officiated at Evening Prayer, preached, celebrated, and confirmed eighteen persons of color. After service met the Vestry.

March 22d, Met the Vestry of S. John's Parish, Fayette-ville.

Same day, In a private Hall at Maxton: Said Evening Prayer and preached.

March 24th, Festival of the Annunciation, S. James',

Wilmington, took part in the Service.

March 26th, S. James', Wilmington, said Morning Prayer.

March 27th. Sunday, 5th in Lent, S. Philip's, Southport, (heretofore known as Smithville), said Morning and Evening Prayer, preached, baptized a white adult, celebrated and confirmed one white person. Same day, in the afternoon, at a private house, baptised a white child.

March 28th, At a private house in Wilmington, administered the Communion to a sick person.

March 31st, At S. Mary's, Kinston, officiated at Morning Prayer, preached, celebrated, and confirmed two white persons. In the afternoon, catechised the children. At night, took part in Evening Prayer, preached, and confirmed four white persons.

April 1st, Grace Church, Trenton, officiated at Evening Prayer, and preached.

April 2nd, Grace Church, Trenton, officiated at Morning Prayer, preached, catechised, and celebrated. In the afternoon of the same day, at a private house, confirmed two old people, whites.

April 3rd, Palm Sunday, At Christ Church, NewBerne, officiated at Morning Prayer, preached, celebrated, and confirmed thirteen white persons. In the afternoon, catechised the children, both at Christ Church and at S. Cyprian's. Met the Vestry of Christ Church. At night, at S. Cyprian's, took part in the Service, preached and confirmed four colored persons. After service met the Vestry.

April 5th, S. Paul's Parish, Vanceboro, officiated at Morning Prayer, preached, celebrated, baptized a white adult, and confirmed two white persons. After service met the Vestry

April 6th, In a School House at Haw Branch, took part in the Services, preached, and celebrated.

April 7th, At the School House, Chocowinity, addressed the Rev. Dr. Hughes' School. At night, in S. Paul's, Greenville, took part in the Service, and preached.

April 8th, Good Friday, S. Paul's, Greenville, took part in the Service, celebrated, preached, catechised, baptized one white adult, and confirmed six white persons.

April 9th, Easter Even, At S. Peter's, Washington, Beaufort County, took part in the Evening Prayer.

April 10th, Easter, S. Peter's, Washington, officiated at Morning and Evening Prayer, preached, celebrated, and confirmed fourteen white persons. In the afternoon, at S. Peter's, took part in the Children's Service, and addressed them. Met the Vestry.

April 11th, Easter Monday, Zion Church, Beaufort County, took part in Morning Service, preached, celebrated, and confirmed thirteen white persons. Met the Vestry.

At night, at S. Thomas', Bath, officiated at Evening Prayer, and preached.

April 12th, Easter Tuesday, S. Thomas', Bath, took part in the Services, preached, celebrated and confirmed four white persons. Met the vestry.

April 13th, S. James', Beaufort County, officiated at Morning Prayer, celebrated, preached, and confirmed three white persons. Met the Vestry. At night, at Pantego, in the new Church, officiated at Evening Prayer and preached.

April 14th, S. John's, Makelyville, officiated at Morning Prayer, preached, and celebrated.

April 15th, In the Court House at Swan Quarter, officiated at Evening Prayer and preached.

April 16th, At a private residence, at Swan Quarter, cele-

brated. Same day, in a School House, at Juniper Bay, officiated at Evening Prayer and preached.

April 17th, At S. George's, Hyde County, officiated at Morning and Evening Prayer, preached, catechised, celebrated, and confirmed two white persons.

April 18th, Met the Vestry of S. George's.

April 18th, In a Hall, at Fairfield, officiated at Evening Prayer, and preached. Same night, in a private house, celebrated.

April 19th, In a private house, at Fairfield, baptized a white child.

April 20th, S. John's, Makelyville, officiated at Evening Prayer and preached. After Service, met the Vestry.

April 21st, In the new Church Building at Aurora, officiated at Evening Prayer, preached, and baptized four white adults.

April 22nd, In the same place, officiated at Morning Prayer, preached, celebrated, and confirmed twelve white persons. The advance of the work, at this place, is remarkable, and seems due, under God, in the first place, to the judicious and indefatigable labors of the Minister in charge, the Rev. N. C. Hughes, Ir., who to a heavy and engrossing and wearing School work, adds much missionary activity, and in the second place, to the admirable seconding he has from three or more laymen and Christian women of the mission, who work as well as give. The Church, though not finished, was a great addition to the comfort of worship. It is neat and quite large enough for all present purposes. But it is in need of furniture, and it would be a graceful thing for brethren in other parts of the Diocese, to help those who have struggled so vigorously to help themselves. Nearly all that I have said of this Mission and its new but incomplete Church

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edifice, I might say of the Mission at Pantego, under the charge of Rev. Mr. Price, and the new building there. The latter is still farther from completion; but the principal layman there stands more single-handed in the work, and is therefore still more in need of help.

April 23d, At a private house in Beaufort County, administered the Communion to an invalid white person.

Same date, at S. John's, Durham Creek, said Morning Prayer, celebrated, and preached. Met the Vestry.

April 24th, Sunday, 2nd after Easter, Trinity Church, Chocowinity, after catechising the children, officiated at Morning Prayer, preached, celebra'ed, and confirmed twelve white persons. After Service, met the Vestry.

At night, in the school-room of Rev. Dr. Hughes' School, officiated at Evening Prayer and preached. I feel that I cannot well say too much in favor of this School, both for the quality of its intellectual training, and for its manifest moral and religious influence upon the hearts of the scholars. It has been remarkably productive of candidates for Orders and faithful home Clergy. At the present time, three if not four, of those connected with it, are looking earnestly towards the Ministry as their work in life.

April 26th, At a private house in Pitt County, confirmed an invalid white person.

April 26th, At S. John's, Pitt County, officiated at Morning Prayer, preached, catechised, celebrated, and confirmed seven white persons. After Service met the Vestry.

April 26th, at night, in S. Barnabas' new Church, at Snow Hill, officiated at Evening Prayer.

April 27th, In the same place, officiated at Morning Prayer, preached and celebrated.

This was the fourth new Church edifice in the Diocese in

which it has been my pleasure to worship within the iast few weeks. That at Greenville being one, it having been delivered by the contractor since my previous visit.

April 28th, Holy Innocents, Lenoir County, officiated at Morning Prayer, catechised, preached, celebrated, and confirmed eight white persons. Met the Vestry. At night, in the Academy, at La Grange, officiated at Evening Prayer and preached.

April 30th, Rev. T. M. Ambler, Rector of S. Paul's, Wilmington, for many years, and an honored member of the Standing Committee, having accepted a call to Leonardtown, Maryland, I have to my great regret been obliged to transfer him to that Diocese.

May 1st, Sunday, 3rd after Easter, S. James', Wilmington, said Morning Prayer, preached and celebrated.

May 1st,, At night, at S. Paul's, Wilmington, officiated at Evening preached, and confirmed seven white persons.

May 8th, Sunday, 4th after Easter, S. James', Wilmington, officiated at Morning Prayer, preached, and confirmed thirteen white candidates.

The same day, at night, at S. John's, Wilmington, officiated at Evening Prayer, preached, and confirmed ten persons for S. John's parish, and one for S. Paul's. After Service met the Vestry.

May 10th, At S. James', Wilmington, took part in a funeral Service.

May 15th, Sunday, 5th after Easter, said Morning Prayer, catechised and preached at S. Paul's, Wilmington.

In the afternoon, catechised the children at S. James'.

Same afternoon, took part in a funeral Service at S. James'.

Same day, at S. Mark's (colored), officiated at Evening Prayer, preached, and confirmed nine colored candidates, 1887.

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making twenty-six confirmations in this parish in less than four months. After Service, met the Vestry.

Since my report to the Diocesan Convention of 1886, I have officiated at 216 Church Services; have preached 147 times, besides delivering 70 confirmation and other addresses; have catechised on 27 occasions, and held 37 Vestry meetings. I have baptized 16 infants and 11 adults; have married one couple; taken part in six funerals; have confirmed 253 persons, of whom 53 were colored; have celebrated in public 76 times, and in private, to the sick, seven times, administered to nearly [2,200] twenty-two hundred communicants.

Of the Clergy, canonically resident in the Diocese at the time of the last Convention, the Rev. H. H. Phelps, Deacon, has been transferred to the Diocese of South Carolina, and the Rev. Jno. Kiernan has been deposed. Letters dimissory have been given to Rev. E. C. Burr, to the Diocese of Virginia, where he is now actively at work. But as his letters have not yet been formally accepted by the Bishop of that Diocese, his canonical residence remains unchanged. The Rev. W. J. Lynd has brought letters dimissory from the Diocese of Northern California. He is now stationed at Hertford, Perquimans Co., with charge of the Mission in Gates and Hertford Counties also. The Rev. Chas. T. Coerr has been transferred from the Diocese of Western New York, and is in charge of the colored parish of S. Mark's, Wilmington, which has been brought by his efficient management into a condition of strength and prosperity it has never enjoyed before. As already stated, I have transferred the Rev. Thos. M. Ambler to the Diocese of Maryland.

At present we have upon our roll, besides the Bishop, twenty-one Priests, and six Deacons. Of the latter, two are colored, and are laboring for their own race in important fields. One of them in S. Cyprian's parish, NewBerne, the other in S. Joseph's, Fayetteville.

We have five candidates for Priest's orders, the Rev. Messrs. S. S. Barber, P. W. Cassey, H. S. McDuffey, and N. C. Hughes, Jr., and Mr. F. N. Skinner.

We have six Postulants, in various stages of preparation for the study of theology, but not yet accepted as candidates for Orders.

Since the opening of the year, I have issued thirty-five licenses to lay-readers.

Since we met before, we have had to mourn the death of one of God's Bishops who was specially near to us—the Rt. Rev. William M. Green, a native of our City of Wilmington, and for many years a Presbyter in our old Diocese. A christian gentleman of cultivated intellect and tastes, for years an honored professor in our State University, peculiarly gentle and affectionate in disposition and manners, after an honorable Episcopate of more than thirty-six years, he has, in a ripe old age, been called to his account and his reward, followed by the love and respect of all who knew him. Our late Presiding Bishop, also, whose familiar face and form were daily with us during the deliberations of last October, soon followed his older brother to his rest. After an Episcopate of more than forty-five years, full of honors, he has surrendered his post as Chief Watchman of the Church in the United States for a position yet nearer to his beloved Master. We mourn too—if it be permitted to mourn one who after a long life of faithful labor has gone to his rest, the venerable and honored Bishop of New York who, has-since our last meeting—laid down the pastoral staff, which for so many years he has borne with dignity, ability and fidelity. Requiescant in pace.

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In remembering the officers of the great Army, we must not forget its faithful soldiers.

The year has thinned our ranks of veterans while bringing in many new recruits. Nor among our Laity, must we forget our Christian women, who have so often stood in the breach refused by men. Among these I cannot forget three, who, within the last few weeks, have left us. Two of them, one the grand-daughter, the other the widow of the grandson of our first Bishop-elect, ladies, by their individual virtues and native graces, fitted to adorn any station to which woman might be called, faithful and intelligent and strong co-workers with the Ministry of the Church. feel the loss of their support. It is not too much to say that the Church sadly misses them, Another of like Christian and heroic stamp, has still more recently been called; a true mother in Isreal, to whom your Bishop was deeply indebted while laboring in a field of great discouragement, for years, for her unwearied sympathy, unhesitating and unintermitting confidence and strong and efficient support, who crowned her long life of Christian usefulness, by the success with which she labored for the establishment of a vigorous parish in her last earthly home, whose beautiful Church is largely her monument. We must not repine at the Providence which has called such faithful servants to their reward, but rather thank God for lending them to us so long.

The legislation of the last General Convention introduced certain changes, to which it is right that I should call your attention.

The change in the form of the triennial Diocesan report to the General Convention necessitates a corresponding change in the form of our parochial reports. Unless this correspondence exists, and is practically and conscientiously recognized

by the Clergy, it becomes impossible to make correct triennial reports to the General Convention. In this connection I would earnestly advise a change in the limits of our Diocesan year, and that it should be so appointed that our conciliar year may always include Easter. Some of our principle offerings and many of the chief personal results of our parochial work are realized at or about Easter. Under our present arrangement it may easily happen that in any given fiscal or Diocesan year, there may fall no Easter, while in the next there may be two, making any just comparison of the two years, either for work or contributions, impossible. If, however, the beginning of our Diocesan and fiscal year could be fixed, either before the earliest day upon which Easter could fall, or after the latest, this discrepancy would be avoided. To fix it at the earlier date, which could not be later than March 21st, would leave too long a space before the usual time for assembling of the annual Council. For this reason, I would recommend the latter date, and as it is desirable that the Treasurer should have all possible time for making up his report, I would suggest that the Diocesan year should close with April 25th, or, better still, perhaps, with April 27th, which, in some years would be Easter Tuesday. To aid in such an adjustment, I propose so to arrange my appointments as to make the circuit of the whole Diocese within the same limits, so that Easter and the Bishop's visition may always fall within the conciliar year.

By the action of the last General Convention, certain changes were introduced into the Book of Common Prayer, some optional, others, however, obligatory. These changes are all embodied in a small pamphlet prepared by the custodian of the Prayer Book, and to be had at very trifling 1887. Bishop's Address.

cost. Among the obligatory changes are the introduction of the word "again" in the Apostles' Creed; the addition of some verses to the Benedictus, obligatory in Advent, optional at other times; the insertion of a new suffrage in the Litany, beseeching God to send forth laborers into His harvest; the introduction of the festival of the Transfiguration, to fall upon the 6th day of August; a change in the opening words of the second collect at Evening Prayer, after that for the day; and the substitution at Evening Prayer, for our old form of petition for the President of the United States (and which remains unchanged for the Morning) of a form from the English Communion Office. The congregation is now directed by express rubric to stand during the first part of the Baptismal Service and Confirmation Office, while in the latter the Bishop is directed to receive the candidates sitting. There are other changes; but to enumerate them all would defeat my object in endeavoring to make what I have men-Other optional changes are made, but upon these there is no time to dwell. A change was made in the canon of Lay Readers, by which the reader is left at liberty, even when a Clergyman is present, to take all the parts of the service which he is ever authorized to use.

One of the most absorbing subjects that came before the General Convention was that of Christian unity. Into all the beautiful sentiment of that debate I can heartily enter. I cannot see how anyone, with the spirit of Christ influencing him, can help the wish that all Christians might be one and at one. But when we come to the steps to be taken toward that unity, I cannot accept the position taken by many. We have no right to throw down or to disavow the enclosures which the Lord of the Church has established. To do so, I hold, is absolute treason. All merely human re-

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strictions may be withdrawn by the human authority which appointed them, but if God through Christ has given us an organized Church, it is simple presumption, and rebellion and sin, for us to ignore it or give it up for the sake of union with our brethren. The true basis of organic unity must be found in substantial unity of conviction. No other will ever be found permanent and satisfactory. Where the one Lord, one Faith, and one Baptism are admitted, the one Body will follow.

I wish I had time to speak, as I would like, of the needs of the Diocese in the way of work and contributions. ocese should be regarded by its members as one great Mission Field; not a mere collection of Missions, but one in which all should work just as they have reason to believe their Lord would have them work. It is at the last His work. Selfishness is the bane of the man and it is equally the bane of the parish. The true object of all Church organizations is religion, and one object of Religion is individual Holiness. But just in proportion as a man is selfish he is unholy, and as with the man, so with the parish. Selfishness may ruin a parish as well as an individual. If seeking only its own prosperity, its spiritual inward life will sooner or later die Our work will be an utter failure for Eternity unless we can put the unselfish spirit of Christ into all we do for His Church. And we must work for Him and not primarily for even His Church. The Diocese is a joint Mission for Him and should be worked in the spirit of that fact. Priest or Deacon who does no more than he has to do, to secure his salary, is not fit for the Ministry, and had better be out of it. The world will never be evangelized by such men. And the Layman who acts on the same principle is no better; and no better off. Our Master has told us expressly that

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we must follow Him with our crosses or He will have none of us. We may thank God for many true and zealous laymen. A dead Laity would make the Diocese a dead body. I fear, however, that we of the Ministry are responsible for much of the deadness and uselessness of the Laity. Perhaps they do not work more because they are not shewn how to work. Possibly somewhat more of Lay organization would help us. I confess that I shrink from the super-organization of the day. But in order to political success, States must be organized; and armies must be organized in order to be moved on to victory. Only, I wish the Church were warm enough and the love of her members were enough like the love of loving children in a true family, to make them do all manner of good works under her normal Divine organization without need of any other, because they loved to do them and to serve their God. But we are not what we ought to be, and much allowance must be made for the inherited imperfection of human nature.

It may be that the vital forces of the Diocese would be better developed by some great Diocesan Guild with Branches or Chapters for special purposes, one for work among the poor, one for the maintenance of hospitals and asylums, one for temperance, one for giving of tithes, one for school work, one for the association of the Lay Readers of the Diocese, &c., &c.

The Sisterhood system, of which we have a branch in S. James' Home, Wilmington, has certainly had a great success and has done most noble work. The work of the Woman's Auxiliary is beyond all praise. Without its help, I fear we should be much worse off, this day, in this Diocese than we are. I commend the subject to you, my brethren, as worthy of careful consideration.

It is very desirable that our Diocesan Funds should be more fully supported—The Relief Fund, The Students' Aid Fund, and The Church Building Fund. This last seems specially neglected; and in our present formative condition it is very important. There are at this time at least twelve partially finished churches, all in feeble communities. A little given to each of these would be to each a serious help. There are other places where we have to worship, to great disadvantage, both as to comfort and cleanliness, as well as to the effectiveness of our service, in school-rooms, or Courthouses or small halls.

Our friends among the Baptists and Methodists, have been very kind in many instances in offering their churches for our use, and we heartily and sincerely thank them; but for our peculiar worship and for the unembarrassed teaching of our doctrines, houses of our own are important. A well-sustained Church Building Fund would be of immense service. It is of importance to secure a churchly style in our houses of worship. A New York architect offered, some time ago, for \$100, to supply our Building Committee with five or six full sets of working plans, all of which would be churchly.

I have again this past year felt it necessary to ask for the Lenten offering of the Sunday School, in behalf of the Bishop's Fund for Diocesan Missions, and again with a good result. Although the response was not universal, it was sufficiently so to put me in possession of a little more than \$300 to meet special necessities. Those who have co-operated with me in this matter may rest assured that they have done a good and true work for their own Diocese. One, the necessity for which, is, perhaps, fully known only to your Bishop. It is often the case, that our meagerly supported Missionary Clergy find themselves in pecuniary straits, which cannot be

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brought to the notice of the Missionary Committee, in such wise as to secure relief from the regular Missionary Fund.

But it should be remembered that in this use of our Lenten offerings we withhold them from the general Mission work, which the Church, by her highest legislative authority, has established, and which are thereby made a part of our work for our Master, which we have no right to ignore. For this reason at the time of making my Lenten appeal, I asked also for offerings for General Missions. What is true of selfishness in relation to parochial interests is applicable also to Diocesan wark. The spiritual life of a Diocese may be seriously impaired by a too narrow regard for only the work within its own borders. The spirit of love and unselfishness is by its very nature expansive. And if we would work truly and acceptably for the Lord, we must work in His spirit and with a sympathy as broad as His; not forgetting the value of concentrated efforts or the greater closeness of some ties than of others, but yet as loving all whom He loves and as ready and glad to enter-in all its length and breadth, into all His work of mercy.

Nor as honest men can we be forgetful of what others have, in this very way, done for us—of the obligations under which we lie and have lain so long, to the General Missionary Committee of the Church. by whom we have been these many years so royally helped; to the Bible and Prayer Book Society, which has given us in their donations such valuable and almost indispensable aid; to the Society for the Increase of the Ministry, which has helped us to educate our candidates to the amount of thousands of dollars; to the University of the South, which is at this time educating one of our lads. All of these have claims of honor upon us which we should not, as men of honor forget. Why cannot the

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men of the Diocese organize or adopt some systematic plan of offering which will secure a remembrance annually by all, of all these great objects?

The gifts should be *tributes volunteered*, not concessions to the pertinacity of canvassers. They should be steady and strictly in proportion as God prospers us. They should not depend at all upon whether the Church service we attend is weekly or monthly. They should not depend at all upon solicitation. And if we love our Lord, and, therefore, love His cause as we should, our offerings will not be so dependent.

And now, Brethren, I commend you once more to the grace of God, praying that He may guide you in all your deliberations to His glory and the advancement of His work, through Jesus Christ, our Lord.

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ST. PAUL'S PARISH, WILMINGTON, N. C.

The REV. T. M. AMBLER, Rector,

I expect to leave the Diocese about 10 days before the Convention, and as the additional contributions up to the present have come in since the first of April, and will probably not be reported by my successor, I thought it best to make a rate of them here. Since the first of April §100. additional have been paid towards the Bishop's Salary. There have been two collections taken up for Diocese Missions, the first amounting to \$11.44, and the second was taken up at the Bishop's Visitation, May 1st, 1887, amounting to \$10.53, making \$21.97 in addition to what is reported above. I think it highly probable that the balance due on my salary, will be paid before Convention, it is the usual time for settling up my salary, \$1000. I will also state that the first of May, Bishop Watson Confirmed seven in St. Paul's Church.

ST. JOHN'S PARISH, MAKELYVILLE.

The REV. S. S. BARBER, Missionary in Charge.

Semi-monthly services are kept up in this Church, morning and evening when the weather is favorable.

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SWAN QUARTER & FAIRFIELD STATIONS.

The REV. S. S. BARBER, Missionary in Charge.

Besides the services reported above, we have kept up a monthly service at Fairfield with fair attendance. There was also a marriage service performed at this place. Fairfield contributions for Ministers Salary, \$100,00.

ST. JOHN'S PARISH, WILMINGTON, N. C.

The REV. JAS. CARMICHAEL, D. D. Rector.

The Church owes nothing, and, in "unity of spirit, the bond of peace, and rightousness of life," is more like a Ligament of Christ's mystical Body, than it ever has been since I assumed charge.

ST. MARK'S PARISH, WILMINGTON, N. C.

The REV. CHARLES T. COERR, Rector.

The above report is as nearly correct as can be ascertained from the data at hand. The Parish has purchased this year a Rectory, and hopes by another year to clear it from all encumbrance.

The present Rector assumed charge of the Parish, August 1st, 1886.

ST. PAUL'S PARISH, EDENTON, N. C.

The REV. ROBERT BRENT DRANE, Rector.

The above includes for an unorganized Mission in Rockahock. In addition, I officiated, in public, at Coleraine, when I baptized three infants.

ST. JOHN THE EVANGELIST'S MISSION, EDENTON. N. C.

The REV. ROBERT BRENT DRANE, Minister in charge.

This Congregation is yet without its Church Building, but is hoping to have it ready for use at the Council. We are very thankful for help in the great undertaking of rebuilding: it is included in this Report. Special services have been held for the Congregation in St. Paul's Church. The Sunday School has been held In the Colored Methodist Church South, through kindness of its Officers.

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ST. LUKE'S PARISH.

The REV. LUTHER EBORN, Rector,

The Church Edifice has been very much improved within the past year by the building of a vestibule and belfry.

ST. DAVID'S PARISH.

The REV. LUTHER EBORN, Rector.

The report of St. Andrew's Mission, Columbia, Tyrell County, is included in this.

ST. PAUL'S PARISH, BEAUFORT, N. C.

The REV. E. M. FORBES, Rector.

The amount assessed on this Parish for the Salary being far beyond the ability of the Congregation, that being discouraged, the Vestry made but little effort to raise it, whereas, if it were reduced to one-third of the present amount it would be raised promptly and sent regularly. The Guild has been of great service to the Rector—aiding him in visiting and in creating an interest in the Church.

ST. BARNABAS' MISSION, SNOW HILL.

The REV. ISRAEL HARDING, Rector.

This Mission is visited by the Missionary only on the fifth Sundays of the months in which they occur, and then the day is divided with another Mission point at Farmville, Pitt County, where services are held in the afternoon. At Snow Hill a new Church is completed but not quite ready for consecration because of a small balance due from the building fund. At Farmville there is a prospect of building a Church.

ST. THOMAS' MISSION, CRAVEN COUNTY.

The REV. ISRAEL HARDING, Minister.

The above Mission has long ago been discontinued as a Parish, but efforts are now being made to resuscitate it. Its Church building was destroyed by fire during the war—a new building is contemplated, the corner stone of which will shortly be laid and much of the building material is on the

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old site, situated about twelve miles above New Berne. It has only occasional visits from the Minister.

ST. MARY'S, KINSTON, N. C.

The REV. ISRAEL HARDING, Rector.

This Church and Parish is the centre of a large Missionary field, and while it is the home of the Rector, he spends only three Sunday's in each month with every alternate first Sunday in the l'arish which, with the Holy Days and Lenten services, makes its share of the services. There is an interesting Mission recently established at Bethel, eleven miles from Kinston, composed mainly of young people whose interest in the services and worship of the Church promises much of good. Its statistics are reported with the Parish. The services at La Grange are also reported here.

GRACE CHURCH MISSION, TRENTON.

The REV. ISRAEL HARDING, Rector.

The Church Building in this Mission is nearly ready for consecration. The prospects of this Mission are encouraging.

HOLY INNOCENTS.

The REV. ISRAEL HARDING, Rector.

This Parish has only a monthly service; that of the Fourth Sunday. It has a new Church building nearly ready for consecration. It has a large and most interesting Sunday School, led onward in its progress by Major D. S. Davis, Superintendent. It has a Mission connected with it at Antioch, in Duplin County, seven miles distant. Services on the afternoon of the fourth Sunday in the month.

ST. JOHN'S PARISH, PITT COUNTY.

The REV. ISRAEL HARDING, Rector.

This Parish has only monthly services, that of the second Sunday, but it is in a vigorous, growing condition. It has two Mission points in connection with it, to wit: St. Michael's Mission and Bell's Ferry. The former of these is doing well for the limited attention that can be given it. The latter is also encouraging.

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CHURCH OF THE ADVENT PARISH, WILLIAMSTON.

The REV. T. B. HAUGHTON, Rector.

Three (3) of the above baptisms were in St. Martin's Parish, Hamilton. There has not as yet been anything paid on the Bishop's salary. It has been the custom of this Parish for some years to raise what could be for this object just before the meeting of our annual conventions. Therefore, what may be done will have to appear in next years Journal at the Treasurer's account is closed March 31st of each year, so we are now required to send in our reports one month earlier. I have made an honest effort to remedy the matter but have failed to succeed.

JAMESVILLE STATION.

The REV. T. B. HAUGHTON, Rector.

It will be seen there is no Church strength at this Station, the few members that were at Jamesville, have by death and removal been reduced to one poor widow and four little ones, making the five souls that I have mentioned above; it is a barren field; for those who differ with us in matters of faith, are making but little if any advancement, indeed I am not sure that they are holding their own—I have not been regular in my visitations to this point, not being able to incur the expense of a conveyance to take me there. I expect, notwithstanding the many discouragements to pay occasional visits to Jamesville.

ST. GABRIEL'S MISSION, FAISON, N. C.

The REV. J. M. HILLYAR, Missionary.

During the year I have held two week-day Services and celebrated the Holy Communion twice in public, twice in private at St. Paul's, Clinton.

GRACE CHURCH, PLYMOUTH, N. C.

The REV. H. G. HILTON, Rector,

I was compelled to suspend my charge of St. Thomas, Windsor, and of the Mission at Avoca in Bertie County, to the first of June from January, of the present year, on account of extreme ill health, not being able to keep my appointments any where during the time. At present, as the spring opens, and the weather gets more mild and settled, if needed, I hope to re-

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sume, as I am now daily improving. The Parochial Report will be sent by the Wardens of both the Parish and Mission of Avoca. I have visited twice, the Parish of St Martin's Hamilton and performed several official acts which will appear in the Parochial Reports from that Parish, by the Wardens of the Vestry there, as they still have no Rector.

ST. JOHN'S CHURCH, FAYETTEVILLE, N. C.

The REV. J. C. HUSKE, Rector.

I have been much hindered by ill health during the past year; for the last two months I have been disabled by a severe illness; under the circumstances I felt it to be my duty to resign the Rectorship of the Parish, but the Vestry and Congregation earnestly requested me to retain it. We are now trying to get an assistant Minister, who, if he should prove suited to the place, would, I think, greatly promote the interests of the Church in this Parish. During my illness the Church has been served by our Lay Readers with zeal and good effects. The attendance on these services on Sunday's and week-days in Lent has been remarkably good—grateful to me as a sign of true Christian spirit. I think I should have had a large Confirmation class if I could have attended to the matter, as it was, seven came forward and were confirmed with such instruction and exhortation as the Bishop could give. The ladies of our Benevolent Society, have been active and zealous assusual and with good practical results.

HOLY TRINITY PARISH.

The REV. WM. J. LYND.

The services on Sundays and other days above reported, and those herein after reported were all performed by Rev. W. J. Lynd. Communion Alms included in and appropriated, Parish expenses; balance due on Bishop's salary will be collected and remitted before Convention.

ST. JOSEPH'S CHURCH, FAYETTEVILLE, N. C.

The REV. H. S. McDuffey, Rector.

The condition of this Parish is I think, decidedly improved since my last report. The attendance at the services is very good. The Bishop of the Diocese visited this Parish on the 20th of March, confirmed eighteen persons. I am pleased to say that there are some now waiting to be confirmed.

WOODVILLE AND ROXABEL PARISHES.

The REV. H. M. JARVIS, Rector

The sum \$34.63 mentioned as Communion Alms does not include the four offertories for Diocesan Missions within the Fiscal year during the Bishop's visitations. Upon these four occasions the Congregations of Grace and St. Mark's Churches offered the Bishop for presentation upon their respective alters twenty-one dollars and ninety-six cents which with the ten additional dollars given within the year, constitute the total for Diocesan Missions \$31.96. The hundred and ten dollars are acknowledged as received towards my salary, which, of course, would have been quite inadequate to my support had it not been for the thoughtfulness of a few parishioners who frequently furnished supplies from their plantations and sent their men to cultivate my corn field; by this attention to the cultivation of the Rectory land I was saved the expense of purchasing corn during the autumn and winter at the rate of seventy-five to eighty cents per bushel to feed my fowls. Usually three services per week were held in the Parish Church during the Lenten season, till Holy Week when they became daily. A fair attendance was the general rule, occasionally varied by larger congregations. During my visit to Canada last Summer, accompanied by Mrs. Jarvis, we traveled about two thousand eight hundred and twenty-five miles in cars, steamers and carriages, and our northern journey, I think, has saved us from the numerous chills to which the natives of this part of North Carolina are subjected. I subjoin a condensed report of my official acts in Canada.

August 15th, a. m.—Preached in Westcock Church, Sackville, N. B; 22nd a. m.—read prayers and celebrated the Holy Communion assisted by the Deacon in charge of the Church at Maccan, N. S.; p. m., preached in the Parish Church of Amherst, N. S.; 26th, p. m. Thursday, read prayers and pronounced the Benediction for the Deacon in charge at Maccau, N. S.

September 7th—By request of the Rector I baptized a child in Sacville, N. B.

September 12th - I assisted the Rector of Shedeac, N. B., at morning, prayer and Holy Communion.

September 26th, a. m.—I assisted the Rector of Eastport, Main; 26th, p. m.—I preached in Christ Church, Eastport, Maine.

May

CHRIST CHURCH, NEWBERNE, N. C.

The REV. V. W. SHIELDS, Rector.

In addition to the above figures I report that the indebtedness on the Parish has been reduced within the past year to \$400. The Holy Communion has been celebrated sixteen times in St. Cyprian's Parish, where I also occasionally preach and otherwise minister to the people. This number of Communions is included in the above figures. In accordance with Can. XVII. Section 3, I report that I attended the meeting of the Board of Trustees of the University of the South in August, 1886, as Clerical Trustee; and the session of General Convention in October, 1886, as Alternate Deputy, in the room of the Rev. Dr. Huske. I took part in services of St. Augustine and St. Paul's, Sewanee, Tenn., and also at St. Stephen's Church, Oxford, N. C., preaching twice during the month of August, 1886.

In my own cure the Holy Communion is celebrated each Sunday in the year, either in Christ Church or St. Cyprian's, and on all high Feast days Public services are also celebrated twice on Sunday's and Friday's throughout the year; twice on each day during Lent, Saturday's excepted, and once on Saturday during Lent, and on Wednesday's and Holy Days throughout the year. The attendance on services during the past Lenten season was the largest in the history of the Parish.

ST. CYPRIAN'S PARISH, NEWBERN, N. C. The Rev. V. W. Shleids, *Rector*. The Rev. P. W. Cassey, *Assistant Minister*.

The work at St. Cyprians is entirely Missionary; there is constant need for funds to sustain the Parish School, and otherwise minister to the needs of the poor population within the Parish. In doing this we have received valuable help in contributions of clothing and books, as well as money from friends and co-workers in the Master's Vinyard. The number of persons able to contribute, belonging to the Parish is quite small; the amount raised by the Vestry, for all purposes being \$115,00. The Church Guild has raised, and used for charitable purposes \$75,00, the rest of the money mentioned in this report was contributed by the friends for Parochial School.

Under miscellaneous, the following items are accounted for:

Church Guild	75,00
Repairs at School House	25,50
Fuel " " "	0.0
Teachers, Salaries	25.00

Total

237,90

1887,

Remarks in Parochial Reports.

* ST. GEORGE'S PARISH, HYDE COUNTY.

The REV. JOHN SCOTT, Rector.

All that has been received at the offertory, (Communion Alms and ordinary offerings,) is included in the Rector's salary; the confirmations and *one* of the burials reported a year ago, are reported in this in order to bring these items within the proper dates, namely, April 1st, 1836, to March 31st, 1887.

ST. STEPHEN'S MISSION, BETHEL.

The REV. W. J. SMITH, Missionary in charge.

Service is held at this point on the first Sunday of each month, at night, with good attendance. An unoccupied store-room has been kindly loaned as a place of worship. A Church building would greatly help forward the cause at this point.

ZION PARISH.

The REV. R. B. WINDLEY, Minister in charge.

In addition to the above, by special arrangements with the Rev. N. E. Price, Rector of St. Thomas' Parish, I held a monthly service at Gatesville up to November of last year, since which time these services have been discontinued. I have also to report, at Gatesville and in other parts of St. Thomas' the following acts: Baptisms, 3 infants, Marriages, I, Burials, 4, all of which were duly reported to the Rector of the Parish.

ST. MARTIN'S PARISH, HAMILTON, N. C. [The Parish has been without a Rector since January, 1886.]

ST. THOMAS' PARISH, WINDSOR, N. C.

Our Rector has not been able to visit the Parish since 1st Sunday in Advent. Services are rendered by Lay-reading every Sunday morning, and during the season of Lent in the afternoon except the 2nd Sunday in each month. The offerings at the Sunday morning services are sufficient to meet all incidental expenses of the Parish; the offerings of the Sunday school are used to supply the scholars with necessary instruction books.

L. S. WEBB, J. J. JACOCKS,

Wardens.

May

The REV. G. B. WETMORE.

I have made two visits each to St. Paul's Clinton, and Christ Church Rockfish. At Clinton, held four services on Sundays, and one on a week day- Administered the Holy Communion in public once, and in private once. At Christ Church, Rockfish, baptized three infants, held two services on Suuday, and administered the Communion in public.

1887,

Reports of the Deans of Convocations.

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REPORT OF THE DEAN OF THE CONVOCATION OF EDENTON.

To the Rt. Rev. Alfred A. Watson, D. D., Bishop of East Carolina:

During the past year there have been only two regular sessions of the Convocation; one was held in Elizabeth City, in October last; the other in St. Luke's Parish, Washington County, in January of the present year; the failure to hold the two other sessions not owing to any lack of interest in the work of the Convocation. The May session was prevented by the fact that the time for holding it conflicted with that of the Diocesan Convention. The July session failed in consequence of the ill health of the Rector of the Parish for which it was appointed, and of which notification was not received in time for the selection of another place. Instead of the May session, however, appointments were made for the vistitation of out-lying places by the members of Convocation in pairs. An earlier period in May was selected for this purpose.

N. COLLIN HUGHES, Dean.



APPENDIX B.

TREASURER'S REPORT.

FOR FISCAL YEAR, ENDING MARCH 31st, 1887.

The Treasurer herewith presents his Accounts for the fiscal year ending March 31st, showing the following balances, viz:

Episcopal and Contingent Fund—debit balance	
Diocesan Missions—credit balance	616 34
Relief Fund, " "	2 99 co
Student's Aid Fund, " " …	114 33
Church Building Fund, credit balance	75 68
Permanent Episcopal Fund, uninvested credit balance	368 77
Education of Children of Deceased Clergymen, uninvested credit bal,	74 86
Clergy Relief Fund, uninvested credit balance	182 92

A list of all the Securities belonging to the Diocese is also herewith presented—changes in which are fully explained in the Current Accounts of the various Funds.

The following Contributions have been received and remitted during the past year—viz:

FOR THE THEOLOGICAL DEPARTMENT OF THE UNIVERSITY OF THE SOUTH.

From	M. Makely, Hyde County\$	3 00
66	Dr. M. Selby, " "	5 00
".	Rev. R. B. Drane, Edenton, two donations	10 00
6.	Grace Parish, Plymouth	I 82
4.6	St. Paul's Parish, Wilmington	5 00
"	St. James' Parish, "	25 00
	- \$	49 82

FOR THE SOCIETY FOR INCREASE OF THE MINISTRY.

Collection at Convention at Goldsboro\$	18	73
St. Philip's, Smithville	3	12
St. Thomas, Windsor	. 1	00

2	TREASURER'S	REPORT	FOR	FISCAL	YEAR	1886-'87.	
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FOR THE CHARLESTON	CHURCHES,	DAMAGED	$_{ m BY}$	EARTHQUAKE	ŝs,	
St. Martin's, Hamilton,	***************************************	************			\$3	91
St. Paul's, Edenton				•••••		
					 \$ 9	

I have also in hand, received from a number of individuals and congregations, and awaiting orders from the Committee in charge of the "Endowment Fund" for the General Missions of the Church.....\$296 oo Respectfully submitted,

A. J. DEROSSET, Treasurer.

LIST OF SECURITIES BELONGING TO THE DIOCESE OF EAST CAROLINA,

In Hands of Treasurer, April 1st 1887.

FOR ACCOUNT OF THE PERMANENT EPISCOPAL FUND.

FOR ACCOUNT OF THE TERMANENT EPISCOPAL PUND.	
Pa	r Value.
	2,000 00
No. 319, I North Carolina State "Renewal Debt" Bond, 6 per cent, due April 1st, 1919	1,000 00
No. 1861, 1 North Carolina 4 per cent Bond, due July 1, 1910	1,000 00
Nos. 2, 254, 266, 3 City of Wilmington 8 per cent. bonds, 1 of \$500 and 2 of \$1,000 each, due July 1st, 1887	2,500 00
No. 319, I City of Wilmington Bond, due July 1st, 1888.	1,000 00
Nos. 72, 97, 98, 3 City of Wilmington, gold 8 per cent. \$500 each, due January 1, 1892	1,500 00
No. 166, I City of Wilmington, 8 per cent. due 1st. 1887	100 00
Nos. 53 to 59, 7 City of Wilmington, 6 per cent., \$500 each, due July 1st, 1897	3,500 00
No. 119, I County of Craven, 6 per cent. due July 1, 1909	500 00
Bond and Mortgage, 8 per cent, J. W. Barnes, dated Dec. 12, 1882	300 00
" 8 per cent., J. H. & M. L. Boatwright, \$1,500 dated June 7, 1882, bal. of principal unpaid,	1,100'00
". 8 per cent., W. L. DeRosset, Jr., dated May 7th, 1886	1,500 00
In addition to above, the Diocese is now the sole owner of the	
Episcopal Residence in Wilmington, valued at	5,000 00
FOR ACCOUNT OF FUND FOR EDUCATION OF CHILDREN OF DEC	CEASED
Nos. 61, and 62, 2 Craven County Bonds, 6 per cent., \$500 each, due July 1st, 1909	1,000 00
Nos. 1096 to 1105, 10 Craven County Bonds, 6 per cent., \$25 each due July 1st, 1909	250 00
Nos. 246, 167, 168, 3 City of Wilmington, 8 per cent., 100 each, due July 1st, 1887,	300 00
FOR THE CLERGY RELIEF FUND.	
No. 324, I City of Wilmington, 8 per cent., due July 1st, 1888	200 00
Half interest in a judgment against Mr. John Wilkes, of Char-	
lotte, estimated without calculation of interest due	413 68

DR. Diocese of East Carolina, for the Episcopal an	d Conting	ent Fund,	,
1886			
To paid the following Clergymen, expenses attending the			
Diocesan Convention at Goldsboro, viz:			
Rev. T. M. Ambler 5 00 Rev. H. M. Jarvis	8 65		
" L. Eborn 11 50 " H. S. McDuffey	11 65		
1. Haiding	9 10		
" N. Harding,	3 00 12 45		
" N. C. Hughes, D.D. 3 25 " R. B. Windley	7 10		
" J. C. Huske, D. D 9 85	•		
		96 65	j
Paid expenses of Committee on Canons, meeting at Golds-		6.0	
boro, May, 1886		6 85 10 68	
" T. S. Davis, sexton St. Stephen's Church, by order of		10 08	,
the Convention, for services		5 00)
" expenses of meetings of Standing Committee		21 90	
'Printing 1,000 copies Treasurer's Report, 1886		37 00) .
" 750 " Journal of Convention, 1886,		349 70	
" and Binding blanks for receipts " Circulars of Bishop and Treasurer		5 50 6 12	
" expenses distributing Journals		13 65	
" probate and registration of deeds for Epis. residence		3 60	
" premium insurance I year to May, 1886, \$2,500		27 50	
" to Dec. 24, 1887, \$500		6 50	
" builder's risk, during repairs		11 25	
balary of hishop, I year to march 31st, 100/		2,500 00	
" postage stamps and envelopes" quota of Diocese towards expenses of General Con-		7 63	
vention, \$3 each on list of 28 Clergymen,		84 00	,
" expenses of Clerical deputies to Chicago, viz:			
Rev. N. C. Hughes, D. D.,			
" Nathaniel Harding, 78 60			
" V. W. Shields, 90 00 " W. H. Lewis, 147 04		202.01	
Paid express on Journals of General Convention		393 04 3 40	
" postage and expenses distributing same		5 53	
"Trea's. commissions on receipts, \$3,303 17, 5 per ct		165 16	
		\$ 3760 66	,
April 1887 To Poloneo			
April, 1887, To Balance		\$457 49	1

In Account with A. J. DeRosset, Treasurer, for the Fiscal Year 1	886-'87.	CR
1886		
By Amount received from Parishes and Mission Stations,		
as per Tabular Statement		\$2029 15
"donation June 30, from Miss Bynum, of Murfreesboro,		
through Bishop Watson		2 00
" donation, June 30, anonymous, through Bishop Watson		2 00
" Nov. 26, 1886, from the Misses Ryerson of		
Chicago, through Bishop Watson		25 00
"Income from the Permanent Episcopal Fund, viz:		
Coupons for May '86 and Nov. '86, \$2,000 N C.R.R. Bonds	160 00	
"July, '86, dividend on 25 shares W. & W. R. R	100 00	
" July '86 and Jan. '87, \$1,000 N C. State 4's	40 00	
" Oct. '86 and April 87, \$1,000 N. C. State 6's	60 00	
" July '86, on \$3,600 City of Wilmington 8's	*144 00	
" July '86, on \$3,600 City of Wilmington 8's " Jan. '87, on \$4,600 " " 8's	184 00	
"July '86 and Jan. '87, \$3,500 City Wilmington,6's	210 00	
Interest at 8 per cent., 4 months and 9 days, to May 10,		
on \$700 balance of bond of W. L. DeRosset, paid		
in full	20 07	
Interest at 8 per cent. 12 months, on \$1,500 bond of J. H.		
and M. L. Boatwright, to Dec. 7, '86	120 00	
Interest at 8 per cent. 12 months, to Dec. 12, '86 on \$300		
bond of J. W. Barnes,	24 00	
Interest at 8 per cent, 6 months, to Nov. 7, 86, on \$1,500		
bond of W. L. DeRosset, Jr	60 00	
From W. H. Green, for portion due the Diocese on ac-		
count of rent of Episcopal Residence	80 63	1202 70
Interest on deposits in bank		42 32
Balance carried forward to Dr. in new account		457 49
		\$3760 66

*The July '86 coupon of bond No. 266 for \$40, was collected by mistake with other coupons in January 1886, and included in the report of Treasurer to last Convention. This explains why credit is here given for July coupons of \$3,600 8 per cent, bonds instead of \$4,100, then belonging to the Diocese. Bond No. 266 was purchased at 101 per cent. Nov. 7, '85 with the Jan. '86

coupon off.

DR.	Diocese of E	ast Carolina,	for Dioce	san Missions,
Rev. Luther Rev. Israel 1 Rev. Thoma Rev. N. C. I Rev. N. C. I Rev. N. E. I	c, viz . arber	\$100 150 150 150 150 100 100 100 100 100	0 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 0	950 00 50 00 2 10 15 50 58 68 616 34

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Dr.	Diocese of East Carolina, for the Relief	Fund,
To paid Bishop Watson, Jan. "Treasurer's commission, "Balance carried to new ac	. 5 '86 for distribution	50 00 5 73 99 00 54 73

DR.	Diocese of East Carolina, for the Students A	Aid Fund,
To paid following a	ppropriations:	
Alex. F.	Moore 5 30	
	rber50 00	
Henry W	7ingate50 00	
	A. Skinner50 00	155 30
To Treasurer's com	missions, 5 per cent on \$89 86	4 49
" Balance		114 33
		\$274 12

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In Account with A. J. DeRosset, Treasurer, for Fiscal Year 1886-87.	CR.
By Balance April 1886	519 00 694 85 392 37 83 30 1 00 2 10
1887. April 7, By Balance	\$1692 62 616 34

In Account with A. J. DeRosset, Treasurer, for Fiscal Year 1886-'87.	CR.
By Balance per account April 1886	240 05 114 68
1887. April. By Balance	\$354 73 \$299 00

In Account with A. J. DeRosset, Treasurer, for Fiscal Year 1886-87.	
By Balance per account April, 1886	184 26 89 86
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1887.	\$274 12
April, By Balance	\$114 33

Dr.	Diocese of East Carolina, for the Church	n Building Fund,
To paid St "St. "Tr "Ba	Paul's Church, Greenville John Evangelist Mission, Edenton easurer's commissions, 5 per cent. on \$74 59	5 00 25 00 3 72 75 68 \$109 40

Dr.	Diocese of East Carolina, for the Permanent Ep	iscopal Fund,
1887		
May 10 7	To loan to W. L. DeRosset, Jr., on bond and	
	mortgage at 8 per cent	\$1500 00
July 30 T	o paid St. Mark's Parish for one-fourth interest	
	in Episcopal Residence	1000 00
31 '	' paid St. John's Parish for ditto	1000 00
•	paid sundry bills for repairs of Episcopal Res-	
1887	idence, per order of Trustees,	1500 00
Feb. 19 1	To I City of Wilmington 8 per cent. bond, No. 2,	
	\$500, at 1013/4	508 75
7	To Balance carried to new account	368 77
		\$5877 52

\$368 77

In Account with A J. DeRosset, Treasurer, for Fiscal Year 1886-'87.	CR.
By Balance April, 1886	34 81 73 74 85
1887.	\$109 40
April, By Balance	\$75 68
In Account with A. J. DeRosset, Treasurer, for Fiscal Year 1886-87.	CR.
1886	
By Balance per account April, 1886 May 10, By cash from W. L. DeRosset, in full payment	476 52
of balance of his bond	700 00
of \$100 each, Nos. 167, 168, 169, \$300, at 104 July 28, By received from J. W. Atkinson, Trustee, pro-	312 00
ceeds of 25 shares W. & W. R. R. at \$160 per share,\$4,000,less brokerage	3987 50
\$3 collected on debt due the old Diocese of North Carolina, for this Fund	1 50
Feb. 5, By cash from J. H. and M. L. Boatwright, on ac-	1 30
	200 00
count of principal of bond of \$1,500	300 00

April By Balance.....

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IO TREASURER'S REPORT FOR FISCAL YEAR 1886-'87.

DR.	Diocese of East Carolina, Fund for Education Children	Dec'd Cle	ergymen,
1886 May 1 1887	4, To 2 City of Wilmington 8's, Nos. 167 and 168, transferred from the Permanent Episcopal Fund, \$200 at 104 per cent. To Treasurer's commissions on \$36 41, 5 per cent Balance carried forward.		\$208 00 1 82 74 86

Dr.	Diocese of East Carolina, for the Clergy	Relief Fund
To Treasurer's "Balance	commissions, 5 per cent. on \$100 38	5 02 182 92
		\$187 94

In Account with A. J. DeRosset, Treasurer, for Fiscal Year 1880	6-87. Cr.
By Balance per account April 1886	\$248 27
ton 8's	24 00
By interest on deposits in bank	12 41
-005	\$284 68
April By Balance	\$74.86

In Account with A. J. DeRosset, Treasurer, for Fiscal Year 1886-'87	, CR.
April, By Balance	87 56 16 00
" Interest on deposits in bank " Cash from R. H. Battle, Esq., one half of \$160, paid by John Wilkes on debt to old Diocese, on account of this Fund	4 38° 80 00
-00 ₀ -	\$187 94
April, By Balance	\$182 92

TABULAR STATEMENT,

Showing Amounts Received from Parishes and Mission Stations for the Fiscal Year 1886-'87.

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	Church Building Fund.	1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1
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Of which \$15 from Sunday School.

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Of which 90 cts, from Sunday School. Special for Bishop's disposal.

** Paid April 12th, 1887, after balances were carried forward.







JOURNAL

OF THE

FIFTH ANNUAL COUNCIL

OF THE

PROTESTANT EPISCOPAL CHURCH

IN THE

DIOCESE OF EAST CAROLINA,

HELD IN.

ST. JOHN'S CHURCH, FAYETTEVILLE,

ON THE

23RD, 24TH AND 25TH OF MAY, A. D. 1888.

WILMINGTON, N. C.: WM. L. DB ROSSET, JR., PRINTER AND BINDER. 1888.



Amendments to Ennous.

Resolved, That Canon XVII be amended by substituting for the form of Parochial Report therein contained the form of Parochial Report submitted by the Committee on Canons to this Council, which was unanimously adopted.

(Extracts from Canons of the General Church.)

CANON 20, TITLE I

Of the Due Celebration of Sundays.

All persons within his Church shall celebrate and keep the Lord's Day, commonly called Sunday, in hearing the word of God read and taught, in private and public prayer, in other exercises of devotion, and in acts of charity, using all godly and sober conservation.

CANON 12 SEC 1 OF TITLE II.

A communicant removing from one parish to another shall procure from the Rector (if any) of the Parish of his last residence, or, if there be no Rector, from one of the Wardens, a certificate stating that he or she is a communicant in good standing; and the Rector of the Parish or Congregation to which he or she removes shall not be required to receive him or her as a communicant until such letter be produced.



Officers of the Council.

Diocese of East Sarolina.

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A. D. 1888.

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[May,

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The Rev. V. W. Shields

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The Rev. V. W. Shields,

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The Rev. N. C. Hughes, D. D.,

E. S. Hoyt,

The Rev. N. E. Price,

H. G. Smallbones, William Calder.

STUDENT'S AID COMMITTEE.

The Rev. Robert Strange,

William Calder, H. G. Smallbones.

CHURCL BUILDING COMMITTEE:

The Rev. R. B. Drane,

Wilson G. Lamb.

The Rev. T. B. Haughton,

TRUSTEES OF THE DIOCESE:

The Rt. Rev. A. A. Watson, D. D., Hon. Geo. Davis, J. W. Atkinson.

TRUSTEES OF THE UNIVERSITY OF THE SOUTH:

The Rev. V. W. Shields,

W. B. Shepard,

Graham Daves.

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Committees and Trustees.

DEPUTIES TO THE GENERAL CONVENTION:

The Rev. Joseph C. Huske, D. D., A. J. De Rosset, M. D.,

The Rev. N. Collin Hughes, D. D., John Hughes,

The Rev. Nathaniel Harding, Wilson G. Lamb, The Rev. V. W. Shields.

I. W. Atkinson.

SUPPLEMENTARY DELUTIES:

The Rev. Jas. Carmichael, D. D., H. R. Bryan, The Rev. R. B. Drane,

E. S. Hoyt,

The Rev. Israel Harding,

Hon. J. C. McRae, S. J. Hinsdale.

The Rev. J. M. Hillyar,

Regular Commillees

APPOINTED BY THE BISHOP.

COMMITTEE ON ELECTIONS:

The. Rev. N. E. Price.

T. E. Darden,

E. K. Bishop.

NEW PARISHES:

The Rev. Luther Eborn,

D. C. Winston,

B. R. Huske.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

The Rev. N. C. Hughes, Jr.,

Gabriel Holmes,

G. O. Gaylord.

Trustees and Committees.

May:

COMMITTEE ON THE STATE OF THE CHURCH:

The Rev. Jas. Carmichael, D. D.,

Col. W. L. De Rosset,

The Rev. Israel Harding,

Wilson G. Lamb.

The Rev. Thos. B. Haughton.

Committees to Report to the Council

OF 1889.

Committee appointed on the Mary Ruffin Smith legacy to the Diocese of North Carolina

Major John Hughes,

Hon. Geo. Davis,

Hon. W. B. Rodman.

Committee to report to the Council of 1889, on the proposed changes in the Prayer Book.

Rev. V. W. Shields,

E. S. Hoyt,

Rev. N. C. Hughes, D. D.,

Dr. A. J. De Rosset,

Rev. J. M. Hillyar,

Committee to report a scale of assessments.

Col. J. W. Atkison,

H. G. Smallbones,

Col. W. L. De Rosset,

S. J. Hinsdale,

H. R. Bryan.

Alphabetical Trist of the Storgy.

MAY, 1888.

[Those marked thus* were present, and †, not entitled to seats.]
The Rt. Rev. Alfred Augustin Watson, D. D., Wilmington.

- The Rev. *Arnold, Charles London, Rector, St. Paul's Wilmington.
 - *Atkinson, Thomas, Rector, St. John's Fayetteville
 - *Carmichael, James, D. D., Rector, St. John's, Wilmington, and Examining Chaplain.
 - Coerr, Chas. Thompson, Rector, St. Mark's, Wilmington.
 - *Drane, Robert Brent, Rector, St. Paul's, Edenton and in charge of St. John Evangelist Mission, Edenton.
 - *Eborn, Luther, Rector St. David's, Scuppernong, Rector Grace Church, Plymouth, Rector St. Luke's, Washington County, and in charge of St Andrew's Mission, Columbia.
 - *Forbes, Edward McArtney, Rector, St. Paul's,

Beaufort, President of the Council and Examining Chaplain.

- The Rev. *Harding, Israel, Rector, St. Mary's, Kinston, Rector Holy Innocents, Lenoir County, Rector St. John's, Pitt County and in charge of Missions at La Grange, Snow Hill, St. Thomas, Craven County, Grace Church, Trenton, and in the Counties of Duplin and Onslow.
 - *Harding, Nathaniel, Rector, St. Peter's, Washington, Secretary of the Council and Examining Chaplain.
 - *Haughton, Thomas Benbury, Rector, Church of the Advent, Williamston, and in charge of Mission at Jamesville.
 - *Hillyar, James Mends, Rector St. Stephen's, Goldsboro and in charge of St. Gabriel's Mission, Faison.
 - *Hughes, Nicholas Collin, D. D., Rector, Trinity Church, Beaufort County, Rector St. Paul's, Greenville, and Examining Chaplain.
 - *Huske, Joseph Caldwell, D. D., *Rector Emeritus*, St. John's Fayetteville, and in charge of Christ Church, Rockfish and St. Joseph's, Fayetteville. President of the Standing Committee.
 - *Jarvis, Herbert Munson, Rector, Grace Church, Woodville, and in charge of St. Mark's Mission, Roxabell.

Lewis, William Henry.

Lynd, William J.

*Price, Nymphas Edgar, Rector, St. Thomas', Bath, St. James', Beaufort County, and in charge of Mission at Pantego. 1888.1

Clergy List.

- The Rev. *Shields, Van Winder, Rector, Christ Church, Newbern, and Examining Chaplain.
 - *Skinner, Henry A., Rector, Christ Church, Elizabeth City, and in charge of St. Luke's Mission, Elizabeth City.

Strange, Robert, Rector, St. James', Wilmington, and Examining Chaplain.

Thorpe, Thomas May.

*Turner, Joseph Wilmer, Rector, St. Paul's, Clinton.

DEACONS.

The Rev. Barber, Samuel Swann, officiating at St. John's, Makelyville, Hyde County, St. George's, Lake Landing, and Missions at Swan Quarter, Fairfield and Lake Comfort.

*Cassey, Peter William, officiating at St. Cyprian's Newbern.

*Hughes, Nicholas Collin, Jr., officiating at Aurora, Vanceboro, Bayboro and Haw Branch.

Morrelle, Daniel, Teaching in Wilmington.

*Windley, Robert Bowen, officiating at Zion Church, Beaufort County.

POSTULANTS.

Wm. G. Avant,

Isaac W. Hughes,

Henry H. Barber,

Elisha F. Rice,

John B. Gibble,

Henry Wingate.

LAYMEN, CANDIDATES FOR PRIEST'S ORDERS.

Fred. N. Skinner,

William J. Heritage,

Claudius F. Smith.

DEACONS, CANDIDATES FOR PRIEST'S ORDERS.

Rev. S. S. Barber,

Rev. P. W. Cassey,

Rev. N. C. Hughes, Jr.,

Rev. R. B. Windley.

Candidates and Examining Chaplains.

May

DEACONS ORDERS.

Francis Joyner, Wilborn L. Mellichampe.

EXAMINING CHAPLAINS.

The Rev. Jas. Carmichael, D. D., The Rev. Robt. Strange,

The Rev. E. M. Forbes, The Rev. V. W. Shields,

The Rev. N. C. Hughes, D. D., The Rev. N. Harding.

Tist of Parishes and Mission Stations

IN THE DIOCESE,

AND OF DELEGATES ENTITLED TO SEATS IN THE COUNCIL OF 1888.

[Those marked thus *were present. Mission Stations in Italies.]

Chapel of the Cross.

I. B. Bonner.

Bayboro Mission.

St. Thomas, Bath.

F. S. Stickney, George O. Gaylord,* Charles A. Campbell, Jos. T. Bonner,

Marcellus Braddy. St. Paul's, Beaufort.

Dr. Jas. L. Manney, James C. Davis,

A. C. Davis,

N. W. Taylor,

St. James, Beaufort County.

G. L. Swindell,

D. W. Jarvis,

B. F. D. Johnson,

John Tankard,

J. W. Crawley,

J. T. Gaylord,

B. L. Perry,

T. J. Baxter,

M. C. Phelps, E. F. Rice.

Saml. W. Clark.

St. John's Beaufort County.

Joseph L. Butt,

Wm. M. Butt.

Edward Tripp.

Parishes, Missions, Delegates and Alternates.

[May,

Haw Branch: Beaufort County.

Trinity, Beaufort County.

Fred Grist, W. R. Bright* S. B. Archbell, Harvey Bright.

Zion Church, Beaufort County.

J J. Cutler, Julius Cutler, Chasles E. Tankard, Alanson Alligood, James H. Alligood, Charles Alligood, C. C. N. Cutler, James H. Braddy.

St. Stephen's Mission, Bethel.

St. Thomas Mission, Craven County.

St. Paul's, Clinton.

Dr. A. Holmes, J. A. Ferrell,* W. G. Hubbard,* Wentworth Micks, Dr. R. H. Holladay, T. M. Farrell.

St. Paul's, Edenton.

Wm. J. Leary, Jr., John G. Wood, H. H. Page, Wm. B. Shepard. Frank Wood, Thomas Thompson, John H. Hall, J. R. McCurdy.

St. John Evangelist, Edenton.

Anderson Luton

Armstead Daves.

Christ Church, Elizabeth City.

Hon. J. W. Albertson, W. J. Griffin, George Brodrick, Frank Vaughan, James Vaughan, F. M. Grice, T. Selby Harney, J. T. McCabe.

St. Gabriels, Faison.

St. John's, Fayetteville.

S. J. Hinsdale,*
Dr. T D. Haigh,
Dr. W. C. McDuffie,*
R. B. Huske,*

Hon. R. P. Buxton,*
S. J. Walton,
Chas. Haigh,
John B. Broadfoot.

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Parishes, Missions Delegates and Alternates

St. Joseph's, Fayetteville.

J. S. Leary,
F. P. Terry,
Isaac B. Hall,*
G. H. Williams.*

H. M. Cain, W. B. Barge, D. Buxton, F. P. Williston.

St. Stephen's, Goldsboro.

B. M. Privett, Col. G. W. Collier, W. H. Barnes, George C. Royall, I. F. Dortch,
Dr. Thomas Hill,
Col. Lot Humphry,
O. Holmes

St. Mary's Gatesville,

T. H. Lassiter, J. J. Gatling, R. B. G. Cooper, R. M. Riddick.

St. Paul's, Greenville.

R. R. Cotten, Aug. M. Moore,* Charles Skinner, W. B. Brown. Harry Skinner, Zeno Brown, L. V. Morrel. Henry Harding.

St. Martin's, Hamilton.

Henry Slade, T. E. Darden,* J. P. Boyle, G. C. Lamb, H. J. Clark, M. D., J. H. Martin, T. L. Hyman, Frank Hitch.

Holy Trinity, Hertford.

James L. Skinner, C. W. Wood, Dr. Josiah T. Smith, Joseph G. Granberry, Wm. Nixon, Dr. William M. Riddick.

St. George's, Hyde County.

Swan Quarter, Hyde County.

Jamesville Mission.

St. Mary's, Kinston.

S. H. Abbott, J. P. Hasket, H. C. V. Peobles, George E. Miller, E. J. Brooks,E. S. Laughinghouse,L. A. Mewborn,John Simpkins.

Parishes, Missions, Delegates and Alternates.

[May.

Holy Innocents, Lenoir County.

N. B. Whitfield,
D. S. Davis,
A. W. Whitfield,
C. Turner.

W. A. Jones, J. R. Whitfield, Oscar Hardy,

St. John's, Makeleyville.

M. Makely,
James Adams,
G. G. Newman,
William C. Whitfield, M. D.,

A. J. Tooley, F. C. Barber, Jones S. Wahab, T. M. Rose.

Christ Church, Newbern.

John Hughes,*
H. R. Bryan,*
E. K. Bishop,*
John S. Long,

R. H. Hilton, M. D. W. Stevenson, R. Ransom, W. H. Oliver,

St. Cyprian's, Newbern.

John B. Brown,* Carleton E. Palmer, Abram A. Bryan, Henry P. Kennedy, John T. York, Israel Harris, Joseph J. Hill, Gordon Wiggins.

St. John's, Pitt County.

W. S. Wooten,
J. L. Tucker,
E. E. Powell,
J. T. Worthington,

J. E. May,
W. J. Kilpatrick,
W. H. Tripp,
G. F. Smith.

Grace Church, Plymouth,

Thos. S. Armistead, C. L. Pettigrew, Dr. W. H. Ward,

Edward Wishart,*

George C. Biggs,

John A. Fry,

Charles H. Adams,*

T. O. Vail, Joseph B. Hilton, L. J. Fagan,

Christ Church, Rockfish.

Charles Creel, Niel G. Biggs, Phillip Biggs, Thomas Powell.

St. Barnabas, Snow Hill. Grace Church, Trenton.

1888.] Parishes, Missions Delegates and Alternates

St. Peter's, Washington.

E. S. Hoyt,*

William Bragaw,
Henry N. Blount,
Gilbert Rumley,

T. H. B. Myers,
H. P. Hancock,
W. A. Blount, M. D.,
A. M. Buchanan.

St. David's, Washington County.

D. Spruill,
E. G. Eborn,
S. G. Walker,
A. Armstrong
J. L. Hassell,
T. A. Swain.

St. Luke's, Washington County.

A. L. Chesson, W. C. Downing,
W. A. Hodges, W. M. Chesson,
J. A. Chesson, T. J. Lewis,
T. W. Blount, T. M. Chesson.

Church of the Advent, Williamston.

Wilson G. Lamb,* Joseph M. Siterson,
Alex. H. Smith.

St. James', Wilmington.

Dr. A. J. De Rosset,

Col. W. L. De Rosset,*

Col. J. Wilder Atkinson,*

William Calder,

Clayton Giles,

Col. A. M. Waddell,

Dr. George G. Thomas,

T. W. Strange.

St. John's, Wilmington.

Gabriel Holmes,*

Berry Gleaves,*

H. G. Smallbones,*

R. E. Heide,*

A. H. Greene,
Richard Chapman,
J. C. Morrison,
W. W. Harris.

St. Paul's, Wilmington.

DuBrutz Cutler,*

George Davis,

William H. Bernard, W. S. MacRae, William P. Elliott,* R. H. Pickett, John J. Hedrick, Jr., L. J. Poisson.

St. Mark's, Wilmington.

Alfred Howe, A. Saunders,
Henry C. Greene, R. L. Hutchins,
John D. Norwood, John H. Davis.

Parishes, Missions, Delegates and Alternates.

[May,

St. Thomas', Windsor.

D. C. Winston,*
J. J. Jacocks,
B. H. Swain,
E. W. Gray,
J. A. Grant,
J. B. Gray.

Grace Church. Woodville.

J. H. Brett, — Thompson,
Dr. J. S. Griffin, Burges Urquhart.

St. Paul's, Vanceboro,

Scale of Assessments,

FOR THE CURRENT YEAR UPON THE PARISHES, MISSIONS, AND CONGREGATIONS OF THE DIOCESE.

Aurora\$		St. Barnabas', Murfreesboro 5 00
Avoca	10 00	Newbegun Creek Mission 5 00
St. Thomas', Bath	15 00	Christ Church, Newbern 225 00
Bayboro Mission	5 00	St. Cyprian's, Newbern 10 00
St. Paul's, Beaufort	30 00	Marlboro Mission, Pitt Co 5 00
St. James', Beaufort Co	12 00	St. John's, Pitt Co 30 00
St. John's " " Trinity " " Zion, " "	15 00	Grace, Plymouth 20 00
Trinity " "	40 00	Christ Church, Rockfish 25 00
Zion, " "	20 00	Roxobel Mission 5 00
Grace, Bertie Co	40 00	St. David's, Scuppernong 40 00
St. Paul's, Clinton	30 00	Maxton Mission 5 00
St. Paul's, Edenton	75 00	St. Phillip's, Smithville 10 00
St. John Evangelist, Edenton	5 00	St. Barnabas', Snow Hill 5 00
Christ Church, E. City	75 00	South Mills Mission 10 00
Fairfield Mission	10 00	Swan Quarter, Hyde Co 5 00
Faison Mission	10 00	Grace Mission, Trenton 10 00
		Tunis Mills Mission 5 00
St. Joseph's "	15 00	St. Paul's, Vanceboro 5 00
St. Mary's, Gatesville	15 00	St. Peters', Washington 100 00
St. Peter's Mission, Gates Co.	10 00	St. Luke's, Washington Co 10 00
St. Stephen's, Goldsboro	50 00	Advent, Williamston 20 00
St. Paul's, Greenville	30 00	St James' Wilmington 450 00
St. Martin's, Hamilton	15 00	St. Paul's, "
Haw Branch Mission	2 00	St John's " Ho co
Holy Trinity, Hertford	50 00	St Mark's "
St. George's Hyde Co	30 00	St. Thomas', Windsor 40 00
St. Mary's, Kinston	25 00	St. John's, Winton 3 00
Holy Innocents, Lenoir Co	15 00	50 John 5, Willton 3 00
St. John's, Makelyville	10 00	\$2.152.00
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The foregoing scale is only recommendatory in so far as applicable to Mission Stations.

Note.—See proceedings following for action as regards assessment on individual communicants of twenty-five cents each.

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OF THE

Proceedings of the Conneil of 1888.

FIRST DAY.

DIOCESE OF EAST CAROLINA, St. John's Church, Favetteville, N. C. Wednesday, May 23rd, 1888.

The Fifth Annual Council of the Protestant Episcopal Church, in the Diocese of East Carolina, assembled in St. John's Church at 10 A. M.

The Rt. Rev. the Bishop of the Diocese, read the Litany and called the Council to order.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following Clergymen answered to their names:

The Rt. Rev. Alfred A. Watson, D. D.

The Rev. Thos. Atkinson,

" R. B. Drane,

" Luther Eborn.

" E. M. Forbes.

" Nathaniel Harding,

" Thos. B. Haughton,

Opening Service

The Rev. James M. Hillyar,

- " N. Collin Hughes, D. D.,
- " Joseph C. Huske, D. D.,
- " H. M. Jarvis,
- " N. E. Price,
- " V. W. Shields,
- " P. W. Cassey,
- " N. C. Hughes, Jr.,
- " R. B. Windley,
- " James Carmichael, D. D.

The roll of Delegates who had presented certificates of election, was then called, and the following answered to their names:

Messrs. G. O. Gaylord, W. R. Bright, S. J. Hinsdale, B. R. Huske, T. E. Darden, John Hughes, H. R. Bryan, E. K. Bishop, E. S. Hoyt, Wilson G. Lamb, John B. Brown, D. C. Winston, Edward Wishart, Charles H. Adams, J. A. Ferrell, W. L. De Rosset, J. W. Atkinson, R. E. Heide, Gabriel Holmes, Berry Gleaves, Dr. A. J. De Rosset, Isaac B. Hall.

A quorum being present, on motion the Council took a recess for the purpose of holding Divine Service.

Morning Prayer was said by the Rev. N. Harding and the Rev. V. W. Shields. The Ante Communion service was read by the Rt. Rev., the Bishop, the Epistle being read by the Rev. Dr. Hughes, and the Gospel by the Rev. E. M. Forbes. The sermon was preached by the Rev. E. M. Forbes from St. Matthew's Gospel, 28th chapter, 20th verse: "Lo I am with you alway, even unto the end of the world."

The offerings of the congregation were received for the Prayer Book Society.

The Holy Communion was administered by the Bishop, assisted by the Rev. Drs. Huske and Hughes and the Rev. N. Harding.

After Divine Service the Council re-assembled, the Bishop in the chair.

Rev. Dr. Hughes nominated Rev. E. M. Forbes for President of the Council. On motion the ballot was dispensed with and he was unanimously elected.

The Rev. N. Harding was elected Secretary.

At the request of the Secretary the Rev. N. C. Hughes, Jr., was appointed as his assistant.

The Bishop appointed the following Committees:

COMMITTEE ON ELECTIONS.

The Rev. N. E. Price,

T. E. Darden,

E. K. Bishop.

COMMITTEE ON NEW PARISHES.

The Rev. Luther Eborn,

D. C. Winston,

B. R. Huske.

COMMITTEE ON CANONS.

The Rev. J. C. Huske, D. D.,

Dr. A. J. De Rosset,

The Rev. J. M. Hillyar,

Maj. John Hughes,

The Rev. V. W. Shields.

On motion, the Council took a recess until 4 P. M.

Wednesday Afternoon, 4 P. M.

The Council re-assembled, the Bishop in the chair.

The Bishop appointed as the

COMMITTEE ON THE STATE OF THE CHURCH.

The Rev. Jas. Carmichael, D. D., Col. W. L. De Rosset,

The Rev. Isarel Harding, Wilson G. Lamb,

The Rev. Thos. B. Haughton.

The Parochial reports were referred to the Committee on the State of the Church.

The Rev. Dr. Huske presented and read the report of the Standing Committe as follows:

DIOCESE OF EAST CAROLINA.

Report of the Standing Committee to the Annual Council for the Year 1887-'88:

The Standing Committee respectfully present the following report of their transactions during the past year as required by Canon VII., Sec. 2 of this Diocese.

At Edenton, in St. Paul's Church, May 20, 1887, the committee met and was re-organized by the election of Rev. Joseph C. Huske, D. D., as President, A. J. De Rosset, M. D., as Secretary.

Testimonials were signed recommending the admission of Mr. Francis Joyner as a candidate for Holy Orders.

At Goldsboro, at a duly called meeting, June 29, 1887, consent was given to the election of the Right Reverend William Forbes Adams, D. D., Missionary Bishop retired, to the Episcopate of the Diocese of Easton, and the Canonical Certificate of such consent was transmitted to the Rev. J. A. Mitchell, Secretary of said Diocese, at Centreville, Maryland.

At Wilmington, December 1, 1887, at a duly called meeting, Canonical Certificates were signed and transmitted to the Rt. Rev. J Williams, D. D. L.L.D., of the Diocese of Connecticut, Presiding Bishop, of the unanimous consent of the Committee, to the election of the Rev. Abiel Leonard, Rector of Trinity Church, Atchison, Kansas, as Missionary Bishop of Nevada and Utah; and of the Rev. James S. Johnston, Rector of Trinity Church, Mobile, Alabama, as Missionary Bishop of Western Texas, both having been elected by the House of Bishops at their meeting in Philadelphia, October 27th and 28th, 1887.

At the same meeting at Wilmington, Certificates were given, and transmitted to the Right Rev. A. A. Watson, D. D., recommending the admission as Candidates for Holy Orders in this Diocese, of Claudius Ferdinand Smith of St. John's Parish, Pitt County, and William James Heritage of St. Peter's Parish, Washington.

J. C. HUSKE, Chairman.

The Treasurer presented his report. [Appedixes B. and B. II.]

Committees Appointed. Report of Board of Trustees.

[May,

The Bishop appointed the following as the COMMITTEE ON FINANCE.

The Rev. N. C. Hughes, D. D., E. S. Hoyt,

The Rev. N. E. Price,

H. G. Smallbones, William Calder.

On motion the Treasurer's report was referred to the Committee on Finance.

Rev. N. E. Price presented and read the following report of the Committee on Elections:

The Committee on Elections beg leave to report that they find no credentials in the hands of the Secretary requiring their action.

N. E. PRICE, E. K. BISHOP, T. E. DARDEN.

The Bishop appointed as the COMMITTEE ON UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

The Rev. N. C. Hughes, Jr., Gabriel Holmes, G. O. Gavlord,

The Rev. Dr. Hughes read the following report of the Committee on Finance:

The Finance Committee respectfully report that the Treasurer of the Diocese having submitted to them his annual report, together with his vouchers for disbursements and the securities belonging to the Diocese, they have examined the same. We find that the report and statements, as shown in the Treasurer's printed report, Appendixes B and B-II, attached thereto are true and correct.

N. COLLIN HUGHES, Chairman.

Col. J. W. Atkinson presented and read the following report of the Trustees of the Diocese:

Réport of the Board of Trustees of the Diocese of East Carolina:

The Trustees of the Diocese of East Carolina respectfully report that subsequently to the last session of the Diocesan Council they received from the Minister and certain members of the Congregation of St. Barnabas', Snow Hill, an application for their consent to the mortgaging of the Church property in that place, in order to borrow money to meet the debt incurred in the erection of the said Church, and avoid the threatened seizure of the property under the law of mechanics liens. That after due consideration they thought it best, in order to accomplish the object and accommodate the congregation, in trust for whose use the lot had been conveyed to the Trustees of the Diocese, to reconvey the said lot to the congregation. That Trustees having been duly appointed at a regularly convened meeting of the congregation to receive the transfer, it was accordingly made and the property was conveyed in fee simple to the Trustees of the Congregation of St. Barnabas.

Your trustees further report that in order to meet certain questions of law attending the above mentioned conveyance and which might arise with respect to others of like nature, at the request of the Trustees of the Diocese of East Carolina the Trustees of the Diocese of North Carolina executed a conveyance in fee simple to the Trustees of the Diocese of East Carolina of all property heretofore conveyed to the former within the limits of the Diocese of East Carolina.

A. A. WATSON, Chairman

Rev. N. C. Hughes, Jr., presented and read a petition from Aurora Mission asking to be admitted into the Council, Referred to the Committee on New Parishes.

Maj. John Hughes for the Committee on the Mary Ruffin Smith legacy and the Scholarship in the General Theological Seminary made a verbal report. On motion, the same Committee was continued.

On motion, the Council went into the election of the Standing Committee, and the following were elected:

The Rev. J. C. Huske, D. D., A. J. De Rosset, M. D.,

The Rev. N. C. Hughes, D. D., Maj. John Hughes.

The Rev. R. B. Drane,

Rev. V. W. Shields moved that the Clergymen present, canonically connected with the Diocese, but not entitled to vote, be invited to seats in the Council. Carried.

Rev. J. W. Turner in accordance with the resolution took a seat.

On motion of Rev. Dr. Hughes Dr. A. J. De Rosset was unanimously elected Treasurer by *viva voce* vote.

The Council went into the election of the Executive Missionary Committee and the following were elected:

The Rev. Nathaniel Harding,

E. S. Hoyt,

The Rev. V. W. Shields,

George H. Roberts,

John S. Long.

The following were elected as the STUDENT'S AID COMMITTEE:

The Rev. Robert Strange,

William Calder,

H. G. Smallbones.

The following were elected as the

CHURCH BUILDING COMMITTEE:

The Rev. R. B. Drane,

Wilson G. Lamb.

The Rev. T. B. Haughton,

On motion of Col. W. L. De Rosset the following resolutions were referred to the Committee on Canons:

Resolved, 1st. That Article VIII, Sec. 1, of the Constitution be amended by inserting after the word Diocese, "a Chancellor who shall be a member of the Legal profession"

Resolved 2nd. That the Committee on Canons prepare for adoption a canon to the effect, that the consent of the Vestry shall be necessary to the recommendation of the Rector of a person to the Bishop as Lay Reader.

The Council then adjourned to meet at 10 A. M. to-morrow.

SECOND DAY.

THURSDAY MORNING, May 24th.

Council assembled at 10 A. M.

The roll was called and the following not present yesterday answered to their names:

PAROCHIAL REPORT.

From April 30th, 18 , to May 1st, 18

Parochial Report.

From April 30th 18......
To May 1st, - - 18......

Chapels and Missions
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Marriages
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Public Services on Sundays
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Holy Communion—Celebrations in public
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Officers and teachers—Males, FemalesTotal
Scholars—Males, Females, Total
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Scholars—Males, Females

OTHER PAROCHIAL INSTITUTIONS:

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REMARKS.

The Rev. C. L. Arnold and the Rev. Israel Harding, Messrs. Du Brutz Cutlar, W. G. Hubbard, W. P. Elliott, C. E. Palmer, George H. Williams and F. P. Williston.

The minutes of yesterday's session were read and approved.

The Bishop read his address (See Appendix A) which on motion was referred to the Committee on the State of the Church.

On motion of Dr. A. J. De Rosset, that portion of the less is address relative to the death of Rev. H. G. Hilton as referred to a committee of three to report to this Council.

The Bishop appointed as said committee the Rev. N. C. Hughes, D. D., Rev. N. E. Price, Dr. A. J. De Rosset.

1 motion of the Rev. R. B. Drane that portion of the shop's address relative to the death of Col. D. K. McRae wa Gerred to a committee of three to report at this Council.

'1 Bishop appointed as such committee the Rev. R. B. Drane, H. R. Bryan, John Hughes.

Rev. V. W. Shields of the Committee on Canons presented form of Parochial Report which was accepted, and the folowing resolution by Dr. Huske was by unanimous consent adopted:

Resolved, That Canon XVII, be amended by substituting for the form of Parochial Report therein contained the form of Parochial Report submitted by the Committee on Canons to this Council.

[See Inserted Form.]

New Parishes The American Church Building Fund Commission

[May.

On motion the Council took a recess until 4 P. M.
Morning Prayer was said and the Bishop delivered a Pastoral Letter.—See Appendix A. II.

THURSDAY AFTERNOON, 4 P. M.

The Council re-assembled.

The Rev. Luther Eborn read the report of the Committee on New Parishes and the appended resolution was adopted.

The Committee on New Parishes respectfully report that the application of the Chapel of the Cross, Aurora, Beaufort County, to be admitted into union with the Council, has been duly presented in accordance with the requirements of Canon XI relating to its case, and therefore your Committee offer the following:

Resolved, That the said Parish be admitted into union with the Council.

LUTHER EBORN, D. C. WINSTON, B. R. HUSKE.

THE AMERICAN CHURCH BUILDING FUND COMMISSION.

[This report was not read before the Council; but is inserted here as information.]

To the Rt Reverend, the Bishop of East Carolina:

This interest may seem so closely akin to that of the Diocesan Church Building Fund that, in the present apathy for the latter, which is directly our home work, it may seem useless to plead for the former which is of the General Church.

But 1st. This is an enterprise begun and commended to us by the highest Council of the Church.

2nd. Its partial success has abundantly justified its plan. Nothing has happened to discredit its appeal to every Churchman who wishes to see the Church lengthening her cords and strengthening her stakes, throughout the land. It has helped East Carolina.

3rd, It is idle and vicious to leave such work for "the wealthy." If there were a large response to the advice of the General Convention that one annual offering be made, through which every one of us gave but a mite, how quickly would the million dollars be raised! This is practicable.

The special Secretary, L. Bradford Prince, recently communicated the following contributions from this Diocese for the Conciliar year:

Beaufort County Zion\$	I 00
Bertie County, Woodville, Grace	I 00
Makelyville, St. John's, Mrs. M. Makely	5 00
Edenton, St. Paul's	11 28
Beaufort, St. Paul's	5 00
Beaufort County, St. James'	90
Bath, St. Thomas'	60
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Francis A. Boyle, Diocesan Commissioner has lately removed from this Diocese.

ROBERT B. DRANE, Diocesan Commissioner.

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The Rev. N. C. Hughes, Jr., presented and read the report of the Committee on Unfinished Business.

The Committee on Unfinished Business beg leave to report that they find nothing on the pages of the last Journal requiring the action of the Council.

N. C. HUGHES. JR., Chairman.

On motion of Dr. A. J. De Rosset the Secretary was directed to send fraternal greeting to the Convention of North Carolina assembled at Salisbury.

On motion the Council went into the election of Deputies to the General Convention. The following Primary Deputies

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were elected:

The Rev. J. C. Huske, D. D.,
The Rev. N. C. Hughes, D. D.,
The Rev. Nathaniel Harding,
The Rev. V. W. Shields,

A. J. De Rosset, M. D.,
Maj. John Hughes,
W. G. Lamb,
Col. J. W. Atkinson.

The Bishop announced the appointment of Mrs. Jane G. Hughes as the Secretary of the Diocesan Branch of the Woman's Auxilliary.

The following alternate Lay Deputies were elected:

H. R. Bryan, E. S. Hoyt, J. C. MacRae, S. J. Hinsdale.

Rev. V. W. Shields moved that the Secretary be instructed to print on a separate sheet of the Journal alterations in the Constitutions and Canons. Carried.

On motion the Bishop's Pastoral Letter was referred to the Committee on the State of the Church.

Rev. V. W. Shields moved that a committee of five be appointed to consider the proposed changes in the Prayer Book and report to the next Diocesan Council, with power to draw up a memorial to the General Convention thereon. Carried.

Mr. Wilson G. Lamb, presented and read the following report from the Committee on the State of the Church and the appended resolution was adopted:

The Committee on the State of the Church herewith submit an abstract compiled from the Parochial reports, and those of the Mission Stations which furnishes a satisfactory and encouraging view of the spiritual and material condition of the Diocese. It indicates faithful and earnest labor on the part of the Clergy and an increased cooperation on the part of the Laity in all departments of Church activity, excepting in the support afforded to Diocesan Missions. Next to a strict adherence to the doctrine, discipline

and worship of the Church the liberal maintenance of our devoted and self sacrificing Diocesan Missionaries should be the prime consideration with all the communicants who really believe in the Divine Mission of the Church. The Committee would therefore re-insist on a strict adherence on the part of Rectors of Parishes in regard to the canonically required collections in behalf of Diocesan Missions, and would earnestly press upon them the duty of encouraging the Laity to devise liberal things in this respect. The necessity and obligation are apparent to both alike. May the Great Head of the Church give His people grace to prove their sincerity by much larger contributions in the future.

Your Committee has studiously avoided entering into further details as the abstract, which forms the main body of this report, furnishes all the information of which we have cognizance in regard to the Diocese.

In regard to the Bishop's Pastoral Letter delivered this day at morning prayer, and submitted by the Council to this Committee, we would say:

Freely recognizing the right of the Bishop to deliver such a charge; appreciating the aptness of such a deliverance and unanimously endorsing the sentiments of the same, respectfully submit the following resolution:

Resolved. That the Bishop's Pastoral Letter delivered this day be published as an appendix to the Journal of the Council and that 500 extra copies be bound in pamphlet form for distribution under the direction of the Secretary.

J. CARMICHAEL, ISRAEL HARDING, T. B. HAUGHTON, W. L. DE ROSSET, WILSON G. LAMB.

The Rev. Dr. Hughes presented and read the following memorial from the Convocation of Edenton which was referred to the Committee on Canons.

The Convocation of Edenton at its recent session held in St. Paul's Church, Edenton, adopted the following memorial to which they respectfully ask the attention of the Council of East Carolina:

During the past year the attention of this Convocation has been called to the urgent need of a more adequate provision, than is at present made, for the relief of disabled Clergymen and the families of deceased Clergymen. At present the only contributions to those objects are the annual collections from the Parishes, for the Relief Fund, the proceeds of a small permanent Clergy Relief Fund, and the proceeds of the Fund for the Education of Children of deceased Clergymen. The contributions to the Relief Fund average less than \$100 per annum. The proceeds from the Education Fund are inconsiderable also. It must necessarily happen in the ordinary Providence of God, that sickness or other like cause will render Clergymen unable to minister to their Parishes. In general the Clergy are almost entirely dependent upon their salaries for the maintenance of their families and themselves. And those salaries are almost universally so small as not to admit of laying by a fund for a day of necessity. In case of disability therefore, they are compelled to maintain their positions as Rectors of Parishes, which they cannot serve, to the great detriment of their Parishes, or else, to resign with the prospect before them of extreme poverty and severe suffering. And should they be removed by death, how sad must be the destitution of their loved ones, and how humiliating their dependence upon kindred and friends for the necessaries of life; especially if their bereaved families consist of a wife, and young children. The gift by the Diocese of \$100 per annum is a most meagre and totally inadequate provision for the necessities of her disabled Clergy, and of the bereaved families of the Clergy. How unlike is Her action to that of the State, which salaries its retired army and naval officers when too old to serve, conferring pensions upon all her soldiers who are disabled and even pensioning their families after their decease! Whilst Free Masons and Odd Fellows, and other human Societies combine to make provision, each for the necessities of its own members, in case of casualty or death. A portion of the Clergy have combined to obviate the difficulties of their position by the establishment of a mutual insurance league. But while this may benefit the wealthier Clergy who least require aid, it leaves the poorer class, who especially need assistance, wholly unprovided for. underlying principle of all insurance leagues and human mutual aid Societies is that of giving to those from whom they expect to receive. But our Divine Master teaches us to give to those who need, even if we receive nothing again

It has appeared, to the Clerical members of our Convocation, proper to contribute, severally, to the Clergy Relief Fund of this Diocese the one tenth of a tithe of our annual income.

We earnestly invite all the Clergy of this Diocese to unite with us in this action. (And we are gratified to be enabled to say that the Bishop has expressed his approbation and purpose to cooperate in the measure.) We affectionately appeal to the Laity of the Diocese to follow the example of

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the Clergy in making much larger contributions to this fund than hitherto. We also ask all to consider whether it is not very desirable greatly to increase the permanent Clergy Relief Furd, by special donation, and in particular, whether it is not an object well worthy of a practical remembrance in making the last Will and Testament.

It also seems proper to our body, in order to stimulate active exertion for the increase of this Fund and to aid the Bishop in the discharge of his present canonical obligations with reference to it, that an amendment should be made to Sec. 2nd, Canon XXI., and therefore propose for your action the following resolution:

Resolved, That the following proviso be inserted in Canon XXI immedidiately following Sec. 2nd:—Provided that no part of the Clergy Relief Fund shall be applied to the benefit of any disabled Clergyman, or to the family of any deceased Clergyman who had not been canonically resident in the Diocese, and regularly engaged in its Ministerial work for at least three years prior to such disability or decease.

N. COLLIN HUGHES, Chairman.

Referred to the Committee on Canons.

The following Alternate Clerical Deputies to the General Convention were elected:

The Rev. Jas. Carmichael, D. D., The Rev. R. B. Drane, The Rev. Israel Harding, The Rev. J. M. Hillyar.

On motion the Council went into the election of the Trustees of the University of the South and the following were elected:

The Rev. V. W. Shields,

W. B. Shepard, Major Graham Daves.

On motion the Trustees of the Diocese were elected as follows:

Col. J. W. Atkinson,

Hon. Geo. Davis.

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Dr. De Rosset offered the following resolution:

Resolved, That this Council hold its next session in St. James' Parish. Wilmington.

The resolution was adopted.

On motion, G. O. Gaylord was excused from further attendance on the Council.

The Council then adjourned to meet at 9:30 A. M. to-morrow.

THIRD DAY.

FRIDAY MORNING, May 25th, 9:30 A. M.

The Council was called to order by the Bishop.

On motion the roll call was dispensed with.

The minutes of yesterday's session were read and approved.

Dr. A. J. De Rosset moved that the time appointed for the next meeting of the Council be the fourth Wednesday in May, 1889. Carried.

Rev. Dr. Huske made for the Committee on Canons the following report:

Report of the Committee on Canons:

The Committee on Canons respectfully report the various matters referred to them by the Council and their action thereon.

1st. A resolution of Rev. Mr. Shields referred to them at the last Council.

"That an offering for the Theological Department of the University of the South be made one of canonical requirement."

2ndly. Two resolutions of Col. W. L. De Rosset, viz:

st. That Article VIII., Sec. I, of the Constitution be amended by inserting after Diocese, "A chancellor who shall be a member of the Legal profession,"

2nd. A resolution proposing the adoption of a canon, to the effect, that the consent of the Vestry shall be necessary to the recommendation of the Rector of a person to the Bishop as Lay Reader.

And 3dly. The Memorial of the Convocation of Edenton with resolution appended, proposing the insertion of a proviso in Canon XXI. "that no part of the Relief Fund be applied to the benefit of any disabled Clergyman or the family of any deceased Clergyman who had not beer canonically resident in the Diocese and regularly engaged in its Ministerial work at least three years prior to such disability or decease."

In regard to the resolution of Rev. Mr. Shields the Committee have not been able to agree to recommend and provide for an annual collection in behalf of the Theological Department of the University of the South, but recognizing the importance of the subject and the obligation of the Diocese in the premises, they resolved to hold the matter under advisement and report hereafter.

The Committee recommend the change in Art. VIII., Sec. 1, of the Constitution proposed in the first resolution of Col. De Rosset,

They report adversely on the second resolution proposing a canon relating to the subject of Lay Readers. They do not think there is any need of legislation on that subject, and that when needed it should take its rise in the General Convention and not in a Diocesan Council.

In regard to the resolution appended to the Memorial of the Edenton Convocation, the Committee do not see any sufficient reason for the limitation of the benefit of that Fund as proposed, and therefore report adversely upon it.

In order to carry into effect the proposed change in Art. VIII. of the Constitution, the Committee propose to the Council the adoption of the following resolution:

Resolved, That the words "a chancellor who shall be a member of the Legal profession" be inserted in Art. VIII., Sec 1, of the Constitution after the word "Diocese" in the second line of said section.

J. C. HUSKE, Chairman.

The Bishop ruled that the Council was not competent to propose the alteration advised by the resolution without a concurrent majority of all the Clergy and Parishes who have

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been represented in this Council.

On motion the resolution was made the special order for 11:30 A. M.

Maj. Hughes appealed from the ruling of the Chair as to the majority required.

The Council sustained the appeal.

Rev. Dr. Hughes offered the following resolution

Resolved, That the following proviso be inserted in Canon XXI. immediately following Sec. 2nd. Provided that no part of the Clergy Relief Fund shall be applied to the benefit of any disabled Clergyman, or to the family of any deceased clergyman, who had not been canonically resident in the Diocese, and regularly engaged in its Ministerial work for at least three years prior to such disability or decease.

Rev. N. C. Hughes, Jr., offered the following as a substitute:

That no part of this Fund be applied to the benefit of any disabled Clergyman or to the family of any deceased clergyman who was not regularly engaged in its Ministerial work at the time of such disability or decease.

On motion the whole subject was recommitted to the Committee on Canons to be reported to the next meeting of the Council.

Rev. Dr. Hughes presented and read the report of the Committee on Finance.

Report of the Committee on Finance:

The Finance Committee respectfully report that the condition of the Finances of the Diocese is in some respects favorable, in others unfavorable. It is a gratifying fact that the Parishes recognize their obligation to pay the amounts assessed upon them for the Current Episcopal and Contingent Fund and have generally done so in full. In a number of instances they have also made partial payments upon their arrears. Still the income derived from the Current and Permanent Episcopal Funds combined have not sufficed to meet the current expenses of the Diocese; and were it not for the funds derived from the per capita assessment upon the communicants, another draft upon the Permanent Episcopal Fund would have been necessary. As it is, the receipts from April 30th, 1887, to May 1st, 1888, have

exceeded the expenses up to that time by above \$220. Nothing however has been returned to the Permanent Episcopal Fund of the \$368.77 transferred (by order of the last Council) from the Fund to the Current Episcopal and Contingent Fund. In order that the Diocesan expenses may be met and the Bishop's salary paid as they become due, it is imperatively necessary that the Parishes should pay their assessments quarterly as the law requires, and also that the per capita assessment upon communicants should continue.

It is also a gratifying circumstance that the contributions to the Relief Fund have been largely in excess of any previous year. Still we are in a constant state of liability to demands upon this Fund which it is altogether inadequate to meet; and for which much larger contributions are needed than have ever as yet been made. Your Committee note with great regret a falling off in the contributions to Diocesan Missions, and to the Students Aid, and Church Building Funds. Of the thirty nine Parishes of the Dio cese, fourteen had, up to April 1st, contributed nothing to Diocesan Missions, twenty seven out of thirty nine contributed nothing to the Students Aid Fund, twenty six out of thirty nine contributed nothing to the Church Building Fund. Of the twenty six Mission Stations, that at Aurora alone has contributed to all of these three Funds. Of the remaining twenty-five. only one has contributed aught, and that one to Diocesan Missions only. And yet the law of the Church, that law which we are under the most sacred obligations to obey, demands "of every Clergyman of the Diocese to call on the Parishes and Mission Stations under his charge, for contributions, (by collections or otherwise) at least once in every quarter, in aid of the current Missionary Fund, and at least once in every year in aid of the Relief Fund, the Students Aid Fund, and the Church Building Fund." Is it possible that this law has been obeyed, and that fourteen Parishes and twenty-four Mission Stations have refused to give so much as one cent in response to the call of their Ministers for aid to the Current Missionary Fund? Is it possible that in response to a like call two-thirds of the Parishes and all of the Mission Stations have turned a deaf ear to the demands of the Students Aid, and the Church Building Fund? With whom then rests the fault? Is it with the congregations, who are so utterly insensible to duty? Or is it with the Clergy who are so strangely inconsiderate of their duty to be examples to their flocks of obedience to law? And yet so urgent are the requirements of the Mission, the Educational, and the Church Building work of the Church that without the earnest and hearty cooperation of both Clergy and Laity, and without greatly increased contributions to all of these objects, this Diocese will never enter upon a career of prosperity. For

indifference to providing the great instrumentalities for effective labor evidences a lack of that faith which leads to the consecration of all we are and all we have to the service of our Divine Master. But in proportion as faith is weak there will be a withholding of that Divine blessing without which all human efforts will be in vain.

Your Committee recommend that the scale of assessments shall remain unchanged; and ask the passage by the Council of the following resolutions:

Resolved 1st, That the arrearage of \$45.02 now standing against St. Thomas' Church, Bath, be in so far remitted as to reduce it to \$20.

Resolved 2nd, That the Treasurer be authorized and directed to return to the Permanent Episcopal Fund such part of the \$368.77, which was transferred from that Fund to the Current Episcopal Fund by order of the Council of 1887, as in his judgment may be practicable.

Resolved 3d, That \$350.00 be transferred from the Relief Fund to the Clergy Relief Fund.

Resolved 4th, That in addition to the scale of assessments already established the per capita assessment of 25cts on each communicant, adopted at the Council of 1887, be continued.

Resolutions 1, 2 and 3 were adopted.

At 11:30 A. M. on motion, the order of the day was suspended until the consideration of the report of the Finance Committee was completed.

Col. W. L. De Rosset moved that resolution 4 offered by the Finance Committee be referred back to that Committee with instructions to report a new scale of assessment embracing in said scale the 25 cents per capita in addition to the established assessment.

Rev. N. C. Hughes, Jr., offered as an amendment:

That resolution 4 be referred back to Finance Committee with instructions to report a new scale of assessment basing the increase at fixed rate per cent. on the assessment of the foregoing year

The Council took a recess until after Divine Service.

The Council reassembled after Divine Service, the Bishop in the Chair.

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Committee on Changes in Prayer Book.

The Bishop read the following telegram from the Convention of the Diocese of North Carolina.

SALISBURY, N. C., May 25, 1888.

The Rt. Rev. A. A. Watson, D D.

The Diocese of North Carolina in Convention assembled with sincere thanks send brotherly greeting to their brethren of East Carolina in Council at Fayetteville. May the Holy Spirit guide and direct us both in the work of the Master.

GILBERT HIGGS, Secretary.

Maj. Hughes moved that the pending motion of Col. De Rosset with the amendment be laid on the table.

At the call of St. James' Parish, Wilmington, the vote was taken by orders.

The roll being called it was ascertained that a quorum was not present.

The Council then adjourned until 4 P. M.

FRIDAY, 4 P. M.

The Council reassembled, the Bishop in the Chair.

St. James' Parish withdrew the call for vote by orders.

The bishop announced the following as the Committee on changes in the Prayer Book to report to the next Council:

The Rev. V. W. Shields,

A J. De Rosset, M. D.,

The Rev. N. C. Hughes, D. D., E. S. Hoyt.

The Rev. J. M. Hillyar,

On motion the resolution of Col. De Rosset amended by Rev. N. C. Hughes, Jr., was laid on the table.

Resolution No. 4 as offered by the Finance Committee was adopted.

(Note.—Here the special order, which was set aside for the consideration of the Report of the Finance Committee, should have been taken up, but it was overlooked, and no action was taken on the Resolution from the Committee on Canons)

Rev. Dr. Hughes from the Committee appointed to take into consideration that portion of the Bishop's address relative to the death of Rev. H. G. Hilton reported as follows:

Your Committee appointed to propose a suitable tribute to the memory of our departed brother, Rev. Horace Gray Hilton, propose for your adoption the following resolution:

Resolved, That in the removal from our midst of the Rev. Horace Grav Hilton we recognize the Hand of Him Who doeth all things well; yet we cannot but deeply deplore the loss to ourselves and the Church. A man of gifted intellect, he was to some of us a valued friend of many years. He was ever pleasant to us. His memory is fragrant. He is embalmed in the affections of our hearts. As a member of the Council, he was ever prompt in his attendance and took a lively interest in its deliberations and in its In the Convocation to which he belonged, he occupied a prominent position, was absent only from necessity, and was ever willing and ready to respond to the call of duty. In his Ministry, and as a Pastor, he was earnest, laborious and successful in bringing many into the fold. Genial in his manners, and warm in his sympathies, he was honored and beloved both by his own people and by the communities in which he resided. To his bereaved family we extend our sincerest sympathy and share their grief. We set apart a blank leaf of the Journal of this Council for the following statement:

The Rev. Horace Gray Hilton of beloved memory was born December 4th, 1825, in the town of Bath, Beaufort County, North Carolina. His parents were Miller and Ann Hilton. Under the ministry of Rev. W. G. Snowden he was baptized at the age of 18, and was confirmed in the following spring. He was ordained Deacon, March 24th, 1867, in Trinity Church, Beaufort County, by the Rt. Rev. Thomas Atkinson. By the same revered Prelate, he was ordained Priest, June 18th, 1871, in the Chapel of Christ Church, Newbern. During the course of his Ministry, he served the Parishes of St. Thomas', Bath, Zion and St. James' Churches, Beaufort County, St.

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· Memorial-Hon. D. K. McRae.

George's, Hyde County, St. John's, Durham's Creek, Grace Church, Plymouth, St. Luke's, Washington County, St. David's, Scuppernong, Trinity Church, Scotland Neck, St. Martin's Hamilton, Holy Innocents, Avoca, and St. Thomas', Windsor.

He died at his home in Plymouth, of Bright's Disease, on Monday morning, November 21st, 1887, during a visitation of his Parish, by the Rt. Rev. A. A. Watson; and was buried by that Bishop, assisted by Rev. Messrs. T. B. Haughton and N. E. Price on Thursday November 24th, Thanksgiving Day, in the Grave Yard of Grace Church, Plymouth

N. COLLIN HUGHES, Chairman

The resolution was adopted.

Maj. Hughes on the part of the Committee appointed on that portion of the Bishop's address referring to the death of Col. Duncan K. McRae presented the following report and the appended recommendation was adopted:

The Committee to whom was referred that portion of the Bishop's address relating to the death of the lamented Duncan K. McRae respectfully report that it is eminently proper that this Council should take action thereon, and it would seem to be especially fitting that it be done in this city of Fayetteville, which is the place of his birth. We feel however that it is not in our power to improve upon the just tribute to his worth which has been so well expressed by the Bishop; we therefore adopt the same and recommend that a separate minute be made as follows:

That this Council deeply deplores the death of "Hon. Duncan K. McRae than whom few men more remarkable for mental powers have adorned the history of our Diocese and State.

"As a member of the bar with great powers of memory and comprehension and of capacity for subtile analysis and brilliant oratory his higher public efforts have rarely been surpassed."

The Secretary is instructed to forward copies hereof to the family of the deceased with an assurance of our sincere condolence and sympathy.

R. B. DRANE, H. R. BRYAN, JOHN HUGHES.

Maj. Hughes at the request of Rev. V. W. Shields read the

following report from the Trustees of the University of the South:

Report of the Trustees of the University of the South.

To the Council of the Diocese of East Carolina:

In obedience to the requirement of Canon IX the undersigned, Trustees of the University of the South tender the following report:

Since the last report the University has suffered the loss of its venerable Chancellor, the late Bishop of Mississippi, one of the founders of the Institution, who since its inception, has devoted his prayers and labors to its success and watched with loving care over its interests.

Your Trustees are glad to report that in all important respects the University shows a steady progress. The Academical Department exhibits continued improvement and facility for usefulness in all its various spheres of work. We feel that it is sufficient to say, in regard to the University, that it is steadily rising toward that standard of Education which it is its policy to establish and foster and realizing, in a limited but satisfactory sense, the ideal of Christian Culture which it has placed before itself. All this is manifest in the increasing interest with which its work is regarded in different parts of the country. We notice with much gratification important endowments, both to the Library of the University and to its permanent fund, which when they are realized will greatly add to the thoroughness of its equipments for Academical work.

But our chief care here, is to awaken your interest in the Theological Department, which is doing its work for the Church in an admirable and competent way. This Diocese should no longer fail to realize that the maintenance of this Department is dependent upon the offerings of the Southern Dioceses. We accept an assessment of \$300 which it asks of us. Only one half of that sum went from our Diocese the past year. In order to impress on you the necessity of the Department realizing the full amount asked from each Diocese we point out the fact that while it designates the modest sum of \$5,000,00 annually, for the noble, sacrificing work which the Faculty has been doing for the Church, for now thirteen years, only little more than half that amount came from all the Dioceses last year.

Just before the meeting of the Board in July last, the Trustees sent out a circular appeal to the Parishes, which however did not materially increase the offerings. They also proposed to the last Council to make an offering for Sewanee a Canonical one and they hope the Committee on Canons, to

whom the resolution was referred, will report the same favorably to this Council. And while they are aware that a Canon which reminds us of our duty may not arouse us to its fulfilment, they earnestly urge upon the Clergy and Laity, that in the face of the many demands perpetually before us nothing is more important than the claims of the character of education offered to our young men by the University of the South, founded by the Church, and fostered in those pure and catholic principles of learning which only can cope with the growing materialism of this age and make easier and freer the progress of the Christian Religion. We therefore appeal to the Churchmen of the Diocese to acquaint themselves with the history, traditions, aims and present character and working of the University, and to use their influence to send it patronage from among our boys and young men, and offerings from every Parish, and thus manifest a just loyalty and zeal for an Institution, unique in its character and history in our land, and commended by the whole Church to the fostering love and liberality of her children.

V. W. SHIELDS, GRAHAM DAVES, WM. B. SHEPARD.

FAVETTEVILLE, May 23rd, 1888.

The Rev. R. B. Drane presented and read the following report from the Church Building Committee:

Report of the Church Building Committee.

The Church Building Committee respectfully report that it has appropriated twenty-five dollars to the Chapel of the Cross, Aurora, and twenty-five dollars to St. Paul's Church, Vanceboro, and this leaves five dollars and sixty-five cents, not appropriated, of the amount reported by the Treasurer to our credit on May 1st, 1888.

Of the total of thirty-nine Parishes and twenty-six Mission Stations which appear on the Treasurer's list, eighteen Parishes did not contribute, and twenty-five Missions. It may not be the fault of the congregations; have the Clergy complied with the law and given all congregations opportunity to make an offering?

The Canon directs your Committee to make recommendations for the future. It would earnestly advise that the Clergy call particular attention to the claims of this Fund.

A. A. WATSON, ROBT, B. DRANE, T. B. HAUGHTON, WILSON G, LAMB.

The Rev. N. Harding read the

Report of the Executive Missionary Committee.

To the Council of the Diocese of East Carolina:

The executive Committee respectfully offer the following report:

The assets of the Current Missionary Fund for the past fiscal year amounted to \$1,694.29 including the balance of \$616.34 brought over from the year before

During the past year the Committee appropriated the sum of \$1,000 which was paid to Clergymen doing Missionary work in the Diocese.

Although the balance of this Fund, in the Treasurer's hands, is something less than last year, the Committee has felt justified in adding to the list of appropriations, designating \$1,100 to Missionaries for the present year, trusting that the offerings of the people, for this most important object, will be so increased as to make up for the difference in the receipts at present on hand in the shape of balance.

N. HARDING, V. W. SHIELDS, E. S. HOYT.

Col. J. W. Atkinson offered the following resolution and moved its reference to a special Committee of five to report at the next Council.

Resolved, That it be referred to a Committee of five Laymen to consider and report to the next Council upon the expediency of levying upon all the Parishes a uniform annual assessment on the basis of \$1.00 per each communicant in each Parish, to provide for the Episcopal and contingent expenses of the Diocese; fixing the respective amounts in accordance with the number of communicants given in the Parochial Reports, or from some other source of information, in cases where no reports have been made; and also recommending to Mission Stations to contribute for the same object, on the same basis of \$1.00 per each communicant in each Mission.

The resolution was adopted, and the Bishop appointed the following Committee:

Col. J. W. Atkinson,

H. G. Smallbones,

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Adjournment.

Col. W. L. De Rosset,

S. J. Hinsdale,

H. R. Bryan.

The Rev. Dr. Carmichael offered the following resolution:

Resolved, That the Secretary of the Council shall cause to be printed, on the fly leaf of the next Journal, Canon 20 Title 1 and Canon 12 Sec. 1 of Title 2 of the Canons of the general Church.

Carried.

Dr. A. J. De Rosset moved that the Treasurer be authorized to pay the expenses of those Clergymen, resident in the Diocese but not entitled to seats, attending the Council. Carried.

On motion, the Secretary was directed to have printed 900 copies of the Journal of this Council for distribution.

On motion the Treasurer was directed to pay the expenses of Rev. Messrs. I. Harding and C. L. Arnold who were unavoidably late in coming to the Council.

On motion of Rev. J. M. Hillyar a vote of thanks was extended to the Rector, Wardens, Vestry and congregation of St. John's Parish, and to the citizens of Fayetteville for the hospitality shown to this body.

It was moved that after suitable devotions the Council adjourn *sine die*.

The Gloria in Excelsis was sung, prayers were offered by the Bishop, who pronounced the Benediction, and the Council adjourned *sine die*.

NATHANIEL HARDING, Secretary.

N. C. HUGHES, JR., Assistant Secretary.





The REV. HORACE GRAY HILTON,

BORN DECEMBER 24TH, 1825.

Baptized at the age of 18, confirmed the following Spring

Ordained Deacon March 24th 1867,

In Trinity Church, Beaufort County.

Ordained Priest, June 18th, 1871,

In the Chapel of Christ Church, Newbern.

He served the Parishes of St. Thomas', Bath, Zion and St. James' Churches, Beaufort Co., St. George's,

Hyde County, St. John's, Durham's Creek,

Grace Church, Plymouth, St. Luke's

Grace Church, Plymouth, St. Luke's,
Washington County, St. David's,

Scuppernong, Trinity Church, Scotland Neck, St. Mar-

tin's, Hamilton,

Holy Innocent's, Avoca, and St. Thomas', Windsor.

Died in Plymouth, November 21st, 1887.

Buried November 24th, Thanksgiving Day, in the Grave Yard of Grace Church. Plymouth.



APPENDIX A.

EPISCOPAL ADDRESS.



Bishop's Address.

DEAR BRETHTEN OF THE CLERGY AND LAITY:

By God's mercy we are spared to meet again in brotherly consultation upon the work He has placed in our hands. Let us strive to conduct our conference with perpetual reference to His Sovereignty and our brotherhood; and may His Spirit guide us in all our deliberations.

A Canon of the General Convention, I, 17, ii. directs— That at every annual Diocesan Convention the Bishop shall deliver an address, stating:

1st. The affairs of the Diocese since the last meeting of the Convention.

2nd. The names of the Churches he has visited.

3rd. The number of persons confirmed.

4th. The names of those who have been received as Candidates for orders,

5th. And of those who have been ordained, suspended or degraded.

6th. The changes by death, removal or otherwise, which have taken place among the Clergy.

7th. And in all general matters tending to throw light on the affairs of the Diocese. Which address shall be inserted on the Journal.

In obedience to this law I make the following report: 1887.

May 18. At St. Paul's Church Edenton, I opened the session of the Fourth annual Council of the Diocese with the Litany. At a later hour Morning Prayer was said and the Holy Communion celebrated, the Rev. W. H. Lewis being preacher. In the afternoon, at the same place, a very pleasant meeting of the Woman's Auxiliary was held when we were favored with the presence of its indefatigable and invaluable General Secretary, Miss Julia Emery. It is difficult for me to findwords to express our indebtedness to this Society. I cannot see how, in many cases, our Clergy could have held their ground and met their expenses out of their slender incomes without the aid which the Woman's Auxiliary has supplied. It is time that we, as a Diocese, should recognize more distinctly our obligation to share the work as well as the advantages. Already in several of our Parishes there exist Societies or Guilds which contribute to the work in connection with the General Society. The time seems to me to have come for Diocesan organization. In pursuance of this conviction, I propose to appoint a General Secretary whose duty it will be to unify and render diocesan the movement so far as we are engaged in it, by entering into correspondence with the local Secretaries of Societies already existing within the Diocese, and where such Societies do not exist, by organizing them, so far as may be possible, Mrs. Jane G. Hughes, of Newberne has kindly consented to take the duty. Except so far as resolutions of approbation and encouragement go, I do not know that this matter calls for any formal action of the council.

May 19.—Opened the Council with prayer. At a later hour, it being Holy Thursday, conducted Divine Service and celebrated; Rev. R. J. Walker, Preacher.

May 20. Opened the Council with prayer, and at noon the business having been completed, closed it with suitable devotions.

May 22, Sunday ofter Ascension.—Consecrated the Church of S. John the Evangelist, Edenton.

This building, erected for the use of the colored Mission of S. John, Evangelist, takes the place of a former one, which, just after its erection in 1884, was destroyed by a tornado so utterly as to leave scarcely a stick of its timber available for the purpose of restoration. The earlier building was the gift of a liberal Layman of S. Paul's parish. That it has been replaced so speedily is due to the persistent efforts of the Rector of St. Paul's. When the first building was lost in 1884, to obtain another seemed hopeless. In this connection great praise must also be given to the members of the Mission for the spirit of devotion and self sacrifice which contributed to the result.

On the same occasion I preached, celebrated, confirmed four persons and addressed the candidates.

Same night, at S. Paul's, preached, confirmed five whites and addressed the candidates.

At this time, in compliance with an invitation from the Standing Committee of the Diocese of Easton, then without a Bishop, I made a visitation of a portion of that Diocese, officiating and preaching twenty times, confirming sixty-nine persons and making seventeen Confirmation Addresses. My

reception everywhere was in the highest degree hospitable and kind.

June 15. At S. Ann's Church, in the City of New York, at the request of the Bishop of New York, I received a Sister into the Sisterhood of the Good Shepherd.

June 19. At Reading Pennsylvania, by request of the Bishop of Central Pennsylvania, I preached at the ordination of a Presbyter of that Diocese.

At this time, I received, by letter dimissory from the Bishop of Maryland, into our Diocese, Rev. Thomas Atkinson, a grandson of our late beloved Bishop, and transferred to the Diocese of North Carolina the Rev. H. S. McDuffey, who had labored very faithfully, for several years, in S. Joseph's parish Fayetteville.

About the same time, I gave my consent to the election of Right Revd. W. F. Adams, D. D., to the Episcopate of Easton.

June 26. In the morning, officiated and preached at S. James' Wilmington.

In the evening, officiated at S. John's.

June 29. Took part in the Convocation services at S. Stephen's, Goldsboro, officiating and celebrating.

July 3. At S. Paul's, Wilmington, said Morning and Evening Prayer, and preached twice.

July 10. At Wilmington, took part in the Morning Prayer at S. James' and in the Evening Prayer at S. John's, confirming at the latter three persons, and addressing the candidates.

July 13. Took part in a funeral at S. James' Wilmington.

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- July 17. At S. Paul's Wilmington, said prayer and preached.
- July 24. At Mt. Lebanon Chapel, Wrightsville, officiated twice, celebrated and preached.
- July 27. At a private house in Wilmington, administered to a sick person.
- July 31. At S. Philip's, Southport, officiated and preached twice, celebrated and baptized an infant.
- Aug. 6, Festival of the Transfiguration Took part in the Morning Service at S. James' Wilmington.
- Ang. 7. At S. James' Wilmington, officiated twice and celebrated.
- Aug. 14. At S. Paul's, Beaufort, officiated twice for the white congregation and once for the colored; catechised, celebrated, preached three times, confirmed five whites and two colored persons, and addressed the candidates.

In the afternoon met the Convocation.

Thus far the colored congregation at Beaufort have worshipped under the disadvantage of having no Church building of their own. This want however is soon to be met by the liberality of a church woman in Brooklyn, New York, and the kindness of her executors who have placed in my hands a sum sufficient for the erection of a neat and commodious edifice to be known as S. Clements. The benefit is a very great one—may God reward those who have so kindly thought of us in our new and feeble Diocese.

- Ang. 15. Met the Vestry of S. Paul's.
- Aug. 17. In S. Thomas' parish, Craven county, laid the corner-stone for a new Church, the old one having been destroyed during the war, addressed the congregation. The same day at Christ Church, Newbern, took part in a funeral.

Aug. 21. At S. James', Wilmington, said Morning and Evening Prayer, celebrated and preached.

At this time, I transferred, to the Diocese of Iowa, the Rev. R. J. Walker, who had been for some time in charge of Christ Church parish, Elizabeth City.

Sept. 4. S. Paul's, Clinton, catechised, said Morning and Evening Prayer, celebrated, preached twice, met and addressed the communicants and baptized members of the Church, met the Vestry and confirmed one white person.

Sept 5. Same place, said Evening Prayer and preached.

Sept. 6. At Magnolia, officiated and preached.

Sept. 11. At Burgaw, officiated and preached twice, celebrated and catechised the children.

Sept. 18. At Lake Waccamaw, officiated and preached twice, and baptized an infant.

Sept. 19. At a private house in Bladen county, celebrated.

Sept. 20. At a school house, in same county, officiated and preached.

Sept. 25. At Wilmington, officiated in the morning at S. James' and in the evening at S. Paul's.

At this time I transferred, by letters dimissory, to the Diocese of Central New York, Rev. John Scott, who had been officiating at S. George's, Hyde county.

Sept. 30. At a private house, in Wilmington, administered to a sick person.

Oct. 2. At St. Martin's, Hamilton, officiated, and preached twice, instructed a class on confirmation, met and addressed the communicants, catechised, celebrated and met the Vestry.

Oct. 3. At Bethel, officiated and preached at night.

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- Oct. 4. In the morning, at a private house in the same place, celebrated.
- Oct. 5. In the Church of the Advent, Williamston, officiated and preached twice, catechised, celebrated and met the Vestry.
- Oct. 7. At S. Thomas', Windsor, officiated and preached twice, gave an instruction on confirmation, met and addressed the communicants, catechised, celebrated, baptized one infant and one adult, confirmed one person, addressed the candidate and met the Vestry.
- Oct. 9. At Grace Church, Woodville, officiated and preached twice, made one confirmation and one other address, catechised, confirmed one person, celebrated and met the Vestry.
- Oct. 10. At S. Mark's, Roxobel, officiated, preached and celebrated.
 - Oct. 12. At Edenton, met the Vestry of S. Paul's.

At a later hour officiated and preached at S. John Evangelist for the colored congregation, and met the officers of the Mission.

- Oct. 13. At S. Paul's, Edenton, officiated at Evening Prayer, preached and addressed the congregation, on the wants of the Diocese.
- Oct. 14. In the morning, officiated at S. Paul's, Edenton, and preached.

In the afternoon officiated and preached at Rockahock School House.

At night officiated, preached, and confirmed one person at Coleraine, and addressed the candidate.

Oct. 16. At Holy Trinity, Hertford, officiated and preached twice, met and addressed the communicants, catechised the children, and baptized one infant.

The same day, at a private house baptized one infant.

Oct. 18 At Currituck Court House, officiated preached and baptized an infant.

Oct. 19. At Woodville, Perquimans county, officiated and preached.

Oct. 20. At S. Joseph's, Camden Court House, officiated and preached.

Oct. 21. At S. John's, South Mills, officiated, preached and celebrated.

In the evening, met the Vestry of Christ Church, Elizabeth City.

Oct. 22. At S. John's, Newbegun, officiated, preached and celebrated.

Oct. 23. At Christ Church, Elizabeth City, officiated and preached twice, gave an instruction on Confirmation, met and addressed the communicants, catechised, and celebrated. At night, met the colored members of the Church with reference to a Church building of their own and separate services. The former Rector, Rev. R. J. Walker, initiated a movement in this direction, which I am glad to find followed up by the present Rector, Rev. H. A. Skinner.

During the last week in October, I attended, in Philadelphia, the annual meeting of the Missionary Council of the Church. It will be remembered that the last General Convention, held at Chicago in 1886, amended the Missionary Canon so as to provide, among other things, for an annual Council, to be composed of all the Bishops of the Church together with an equal number of laymen to take action in regard to the Missionary work of the Church. The meeting at Philadelphia, which continued for two days, was one of very great interest and gave to the various departments of Church

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work a valuable impulse. A council of the House of Bishops followed the adjournment of the Missionary Council, at which several Missionary Bishops were elected and other matters of importance considered.

- Nov. 1. Took part in the matriculation services of the General Theological Seminary in New York.
- Nov. 6. At St. James', in Brooklyn, officiated preached and celebrated.
- Nov. 10. At S. Peter's, Gates county, N. C., officiated, preached, celebrated, confirmed one person and addressed the candidate.
- Nov. 11. At S. Mary's, Gatesville, officiated and preached twice, celebrated, met and addressed the communicants, confirmed one person and addressed the candidate.
- Nov. 13. At S. Barnabas', Murfreesboro, officiated and preached twice, celebrated, met and addressed the communicants.
- *Nov. 14.* At S. John's, Winton, officiated, preached, confirmed two persons and addressed the candidates.
- Nov. 15. At the same place, officiated, preached and celebrated. At night, at a private house, baptized and confirmed a colored woman.
- Nov. 17. At Holy Innocents, Avoca, officiated and preached celebrated, baptized an infant, and made an address on Infant Baptism.
- Nov. 20. At S. Luke's, Washington county, officiated, preached, celebrated, made an address on confirmation, confirmed three persons and addressed the candidates. After service, met the Vestry.

In the evening, at Grace Church, Plymouth, catechised,

officiated, preached, made an address on confirmation, confirmed two persons and addressed the candidates. After service met the Vestry.

At this time, it pleased God to remove from us our dear Brother, Rev. Horace Gray Hilton, who died at Plymouth on the morning of November 21st. Mr. Hilton was a native of North Carolina, born in Bath, Beaufort county, December 4th, 1825, of Mellen and Ann Hilton. He was under the ministry of Rev. W. E. Snowden, brought to baptism at the age of eighteen, and the next Spring confirmed. He was ordained Deacon March 24th, 1867, and Priest June 18th, 1871. In the course of his ministry he served the parishes of S. Thomas', Bath, and Zion Church and S. James', Beaufort county, S. George's, Hyde county, S. John's, Durham Creek, Grace Church, Plymouth, S. Luke's, Washington county and S. David's, Scuppernong. In 1875 he removed to Scotland Neck, with charge also of S. Martin's, Hamilton. 1885 he was transferred to the Diocese of East Carolina, making his home at Plymouth, where he died. His ministry was one of great fidelity, acceptance and success until prostrated by disease which terminated his life. God grant us many such laborers.

Nov. 22. At S. Andrew's, Columbia, officiated and preached.

Nov. 23 At S. David's, Scuppernong, officiated, preached, celebrated, made an address on confirmation, confirmed eight persons and addressed the candidates.

Nov. 24, Thanksgiving Day. Assisted by Rev. Messrs. T. B. Haughton and N. E. Price, committed to the Earth what was mortal of our brother Rev. H. G. Hilton, in the Grave Yard of Grace Church, Plymouth.

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Same day, at Grace Church, kept the National Thanksgiving, officiating, preaching and celebrating.

Nov. 27. At St. James', Wilmington, officiated at Morning and Evening Prayer, and celebrated.

Nov. 29. Took part in a funeral in S. James' parish, Wilmington.

Nov. 30. Took part in a funeral, in the same parish.

At this time I received into the Diocese by letter dimissory from the Bishop of Chicago, the Rev. C. T. Arnold, who has taken charge of S. Paul's parish, left vacant by the removal of Rev. T. M. Ambler. This parish has at considerable expense greatly enlarged and improved its Church building. It is now an edifice of great external attraction and with largely increased provision for the due and dignified worship of the Almighty. The Rector, Rev. C. T. Arnold, has been very successful in increasing the membership and in infusing new life into the congregation.

Dec. 4. In the morning at S. Paul's, Wilmington, officiated, preached and celebrated.

At night, at S. Mark's, officiated, preached, confirmed three colored persons and addressed the candidates. After service met the Vestry.

Dec. 8. At a private house, in Wilmington, administered to a sick person.

Dec. 9. Assisted by the Rev. E. O. Flagg, at the time in charge of S. James' parish, Wilmington, and the other parochial Clergy, committed to the tomb prepared for her, by the side of her husband, beneath the Chancel of S. James', the remains of Mrs. Josepha G. Atkinson, widow of the late Bishop Atkinson. The day was stormy, but a large and sympathetic

Congregation attested the place which the deceased held in the hearts of the Citizens of Wilmington.

Same day gave my consent to the consecration of the Rev. Abiel Leonard, D. D., as Missionary Bishop of Nevada and Utah, and of the Rev. Jas. S. Johnston, D. D., as Missionary Bishop of Western Texas.

Dec. 11. At Zion Church, Beaufort county, officiated at Morning Prayer, preached, celebrated, confirmed three persons, addressed the candidates, and met the Vestry; made an address also on confirmation.

At night, at S. Thomas', Bath, officiated and preached.

Dec. 12. At S. Thomas', Bath, officiated, preached, celebrated, confirmed five persons, and addressed the candidates. After service met the Vestry.

Dec. 13. At Yeatsville, officiated and preached.

Dec. 14. At St. James' Church, Beaufort county, officiated, preached, celebrated, and after service met the Vestry.

At night, at Pantego, officiated and preached.

Dec. 15. In S. John Evangelist, Makeleyville, officiated, preached and celebrated.

Dec. 16. In the Court House, at Swan Quarter, officiated and preached.

Dec. 17. In a private house, at Swan Quarter, met the communicants and celebrated.

Dec. 18. In S. George's, Lake Landing, Hyde county, officiated, preached, celebrated, and after service met the Vestry This parish continues vacant, the Rev. John Scott, its late Rector, having been transferred in September to the Diocese of Central New York. For this parish the late Dr. Milton Selby provided by his will a Globe of one hundred acres of rich Hyde county land. This provision, together with a commodious Rectory in good condition, might be made,

with proper co-operation on the part of the parish, to go far towards securing the services of a Rector, and then securing the Rector's comfort. An endowment, which does not operate to diminish the contributions of a Christian Congregation, but is accepted as an *addition* to its power, is a blessing; but, an endowment which becomes an excuse for neglecting or diminishing the tribute due to God, is a curse to any parish. The remedy, however, in such case is in the hands of its members.

Dec. 19. At Fairfield, Hyde county, in the Town-hall, officiated and preached.

After the service, at a private house, celebrated and administered to the communicants of the congregation.

Dec. 24. At Vanceboro, officiated, preached, celebrated, and baptized an adult. After service, met the Vestry.

At the same place, in the afternoon at a private house, baptized an adult and confirmed two persons.

Dec. 25. In Trinity Chapel, Chocowinity, officiated, preached, celebrated, and confirmed one person, addressing the candidate, and after service met the Vestry.

At night, in the School room, officiated and preached.

I am glad to find the School in this parish conducted by Rev. Dr. Hughes and Rev. N. C. Hughes, Jr., advancing in numbers and prosperity. While maintaining its standard of scholarship, its moral influence upon those connected with it is most excellent. That so many of the students are communicants and that of these so many contemplate the ministry as their sphere in life while the whole management is so bright and cheerful speaks volumes in its favor.

Dec. 27. In the new Church, at Aurora, catechised, officiated, preached, confirmed three persons, and addressed the

candidates. The pleasure of the services is greatly enhanced at this place by the erection of the new Church. The building is not yet complete but is being gradually advanced toward completion by the constant efforts of the members of the Parish.

Dec. 28. At Bayboro, officiated, preached and celebrated.

Dec. 29. At a private house in Beaufort county, celebrated, administering to a sick person.

Same day, at a later hour, in S. John's, Durham Creek, met the Vestry, officiated, preached and celebrated.

Dec. 30. At Haw Branch, officiated, preached and celebrated.

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Jan. 1. In S. Paul's, Greenville, catechised, officiated, and preached twice, celebrated, baptized an adult, confirmed one person, and addressed the candidate. Met the Vestry.

Jan. 4. In S. Peter's, Washington, officiated, and preached twice, celebrated, confirmed four persons and addressed the candidates.

Jan. 5. In Trinity parish, Chocowinity, officiated, preached, confirmed two persons and addressed the candidates.

Jan. 6. At Jamesville, officiated, preached and celebrated.

Jan. 8. At S. James', Wilmington, took part in the service at Morning and Evening Prayer. At this time I received by letter dimissory from the Diocese of North Carolina, the Rev. Robert Strange, who has taken charge of S. James' parish, in the city of Wilmington, where he is doing most excellent work.

Jan. 15. In S. John's, Fayetteville, at Morning Prayer, officiated, preached, celebrated, confirmed thirteen persons and addressed the candidates.

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In the afternoon, I catechised the children, both at S. John's and S. Joseph's.

At night, at S. Joseph's, (colored) officiated, preached, confirmed eight persons of color, and addressed the candidates. After service, met the Vestry.

Jan. 16. At a private house, confirmed a sick person.

In the afternoon, met the Vestry of S. John's.

Jan. 17. In a Hall, at Maxton, officiated and preached.

Jan. 18. At a private residence in the same place, met the communicants, baptized two infants, preached and administered the Communion.

The same day, in the afternoon, at a private house, baptized an infant.

Jan. 20. Met the Vestry of S. Joseph's parish, Fayette-ville.

Jan. 22. In Christ Church, Rockfish, officiated, preached and celebrated.

Same day, at night, in S. John's, Favetteville, officiated and preached.

Jan. 24. At Grace Church, Weldon, conducted a funeral.

Jan. 29. At S. John's, Wilmington, officiated and preached.

Same day, in the afternoon, officiated at S. James.

Feb. 2. At S. James', Wilmington, took part in a funeral. At a later hour, officiated at Morning Prayer.

Feb. 5 At S. James', Wilmington, officiated twice and celebrated.

Feb. 10. At S. James', Wilmington, took part in a funeral.

Same day at a private house, administered the Communion to a sick person.

Feb. 12. At S. John's, Wilmington, officiated and preached.

Feb. 14. At S James', Wilmington, took part in a funeral.

Feb. 15, Ash Wednesday. At S. James', Wilmington, officiated twice and preached.

Feb. 16. Same place, officiated.

Feb. 17. Same place, officiated and preached.

Feb. 18. Same place, officiated.

Feb. 19. Same place, officiated twice, preached and celebrated.

Feb. 22. At S. John's, Wilmington, took part in Evening Prayer.

Feb. 23. At S. Mark's, Wilmington, took part in Evening Prayer and spoke.

Feb. 26. In the morning, at S. Paul's, Wilmington, officiated and preached.

Same day, at night, at S. James' Home, Wilmington, officiated, preached, and confirmed one person.

Feb. 29. At S. John's, Wilmington, took part in the Evening Service.

March 2. At S. James', Wilmington, took part in the Evening Service, and preached.

March 4. In the morning, at S. James', took part at Morning Prayer, and celebrated.

At night, at S. John's, officiated and preached.

March 8. At S. Mark's, took part in the service.

March 9. At S. James', took part in the service.

March 11. In the morning, officiated at S. James'.

At night, at S. John's, officiated and preached. At this

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time, I received into the Diocese Rev. Henry A. Skinner, by letter dimissory from the Bishop of Milwaukee. Mr. Skinner has taken charge of Christ Church parish, Elizabeth City, and of the neighboring Missions.

March 14. At S. James', Wilmington, took part in a funeral.

The same day, at S. John's, took part in the Evening Service.

March 18. At S. John's, took part in the Evening Prayer and preached.

March 25, Palm Sunday. At. S. James', officiated, preached, confirmed twelve persons, and addressed them.

Here let me pay a just tribute to one of the most valuable spiritual agencies within the Diocese. I refer to the Sisterhood of the Good Shepherd, whose central home is in New York, but who maintain a working branch in Wilmington. Short of the Church herself in her organized work, few agencies for good—none that I know of within the Diocese, have approached this in large practical and pure results.

It has done much for the education of the working classes. Up to this time I suppose that at least from seven hundred and fifty to one thousand children have come under the influence of its gratuitous and wholesome training, and that not only in secular, but also in religious knowledge and wisdom. It has in strict subordination to the Rector and the Church done a large amount of local Missionary work—not only exerting a constant and practical religious influence upon the heart, but caring for the body also. It has contributed largely to the Church membership of the parish in which it works. Withal it has been entirely free from wilful peculiarities which so often mar work otherwise most excell-

ent and sacrifice religious influence by antagonizing the *Authorities*, or the *Law*, or the *Habits* of the Church, or by unnecessarily provoking the prejudices of the community.

March 25. At night, at S. John's, took part in the service and preached.

March 29, Maundy Thursday. At S. James', celebrated.

March 30, Good Friday. Officiated at S. James', and preached. In the afternoon, at the same place, took part in a funeral.

April 1, Easter. In the morning, officiated, preached and celebrated, at S. John's.

In the afternoon, took part in the children's services at S. James' and S. John's.

April 3. At a private house, administered the Communion to a sick person.

April δ . At S. Stephen's, Goldsboro, catechised the children, officiated at Morning Prayer, preached, celebrated, confirmed ten persons and addressed them.

Same day, at night, in S. Gabriel's, Faison, officiated, preached, celebrated, confirmed two persons and addressed them.

April 9. Met the Vestry of S. Stephen's, Goldsboro.

April 10. S. Mary's, Kinston, catechised, officiated, and preached twice, celebrated, confirmed three persons and addressed them. In the afternoon, met the communicants and addressed them. At night, after service, met the Vestry.

April 12. At Holy Innocents, Lenoir county, catechised, officiated at Morning Service, preached, celebrated, confirmed six persons and addressed them. Met the Vestry.

Same day, at night, at Mr. Kinsey's school, in LaGrange,

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officiated and preached. Mr. Kinsey, the head of a large and successful School for girls, most kindly placed his School room at our service, and, with his scholars supplied us, not only with an addition to the congregation, but with excellent music.

We were hospitably entertained by Col. Davis, whose Military Academy for boys is taking place in the front rank of our schools. It numbers now over 190 Cadets.

April 13. At S. Barnabas', Snow Hill, officiated morning and night, preached twice, celebrating, confirming three persons and addressing them. After the night service met the officers of that Mission.

April 15. At Farmville, officiated in the Disciples Church, kindly placed at our service, preaching, celebrating, and confirming one person. After Morning Service, laid the cornerstone of a new Church to be called Emanuel Church. For this a large congregation had gathered.

Same day, at night, officiated in S. Paul's, Greenville, preached and confirmed two persons, addressing them.

April 17. At S. John's, Pitt county, after catechising the children, officiated, preached. celebrated, confirmed six perpersons, and addressed them. After service met the Vestry.

The same day, in the afternoon, at S. Michael's Mission, officiated and preached.

April 18. At Trinity Chapel, Chockowinity, officiated, preached, celebrated, confirmed seven persons, and addressed them:

April 19. At Vanceboro, officiated and preached. After service, laid the corner-stone of a Church to be called S. Paul's making an address.

April 20. In S. Thomas' parish, Craven county, officiated, preached and celebrated. Here, where on the 17th of August last I laid the corner-stone, I found a sightly building well on its way to completion, due to the untiring efforts of Rev. I. Harding, in circumstances in which few of us would have had any hope of success, or have made the attempt to build.

My appointments for Sunday, April 22nd, at Christ Church and S. Cyprian's, were defeated by indisposition.

April 23. In Christ Church, Newbern, officiated at Evening Prayer, confirmed ten persons and addressed them.

April 24. In Grace Church, Trenton, officiated, preached and celebrated.

April 25. In the Methodist Church, at Richlands, Onslow county, officiated, preached, celebrated, and confirmed one person.

April 26. At Jacksonville, Onslow county, officiated and preached.

April 27. In the Presbyterian Church at Kenansville, Duplin county, officiated and preached.

April 28. At a private house, in Kenansville, baptized an infant.

April 29. At Antioch Church, in Duplin county, officiated, preached, and celebrated. This was the last of a series of of fifteen services held at thirteen different places, all of them within the round of work of our indefatigable Missionary, Rev. Israel Harding, in six of which, viz: Holy Innocents, Lenoir, S. Barnabas, Snow Hill, Emanuel, Farmville, S. John's, Pitt county, S. Thomas', Craven, and Grace Church, Trenton, the Congregations are mainly, if not entirely, indebted to him for their present Church edifices. Some of

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these buildings have been erected in the face of all prospects to the contrary, and are conspicuous evidences of what may be done by trying. Of these, that at Snow Hill is still encumbered by a debt; S. Thomas', Craven county, is as yet unfinished, while of Emmanuel, Farmville, only the cornerstone is laid. But the work in all these cases has been commenced with a prospect, if the Missionary be spared, of completion. Our visitation of Onslow and Duplin counties was substantially an entry upon new ground. For although Episcopal visits have, in former years, been made in those counties, they have been so scanty and so far in the past as to make our services a novelty.

As the parochial reports now are made by Canon to end with the month of April, I here terminate my own, except so far as to add, that, since April I have visited four parishes and have confirmed 53 persons.

The summary of my work will be found as follows:

Separate places within the Diocese visited	77
Services held	209
Sermons	124
Other addresses, or instructions	69
Celebrations of the Holy Communion. Public	73
Private	6
On which occasions the recipients have been more than.	2,100
Baptisms—Infants	II
" Adults	5
Confirmations, white 132, colored 18	150
Vestry Meetings	30
Funerals	13
Corner Stones laid	2
Churches Consecrated	I

In addition to the above statement for the Conciliar year ending with April 30th, I have confirmed in the city of Wilmington alone sixty-three persons—of whom eleven were colored.

Every county in the Diocese, except Dare, has been visited.

I have catechised the children when practicable, and have in several instances given special instruction beforehand to the candidates for confirmation.

I have also, in many of the parishes, held separate and special meetings of the Communicants and baptized members of the Church, being thus able to address them more directly and pointedly than was practicable in a promiscuous congregation. In this I think I have found a serious practical advantage.

I have transferred to other Dioceses, by letters dimissory, four of our former Clergy, viz:

- I. Rev. H. S. McDuffey, to the Diocese of North Carolina.
- 2. Rev. R. J. Walker, to the Diocese of Iowa.
- 3. Rev. John Scott, to the Diocese of Central New York.
- 4. Rev. E. C. Burr, to the Diocese of Virginia.

In addition to these:

- 5. Rev. W. H. Lewis has received letter dimissory to the Diocese of New York.
- 6. Rev. W. J. Lynd has received letter dimissory to the Diocese of Northern California.

But, as I have not received the formal acceptance of these last, I cannot yet strike their names from our Clergy list.

I have received, by letters dimissory:

- 1. Rev. Thomas Atkinson, from the Diocese of Maryland.
- 2. Rev. Chas. L. Arnold, from the Diocese of Chicago.

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- 3. Rev. Robt. Strange, from the Diocese of North Carolina.
- 4. Rev. Henry A. Skinner, from the Diocese of Milwaukee.
- 5. Rev. Jos. W. Turner, from the Diocese of Mississippi.

Of these

Rev. Thos. Atkinson has taken charge of S. John's parish, Fayetteville.

Rev. C. L. Arnold of S. Paul's parish, Wilmington.

Rev. Robt. Strange of S. James' parish, Wilmington.

Rev. H. A. Skinner of Chrish Church parish, Elizabeth City.

Rev. Jos. W. Turner of S. Paul's, Clinton.

We have lost by death the Rev. H. G. Hilton.

The Rev. Joseph C. Huske has resigned the active charge of S. John's, Fayetteville, and has been made Rector Emeritus; the Rev. Thos. Atkinson, who has been assisting him most effectively and acceptably since last Summer, has been elected Rector—both resignation and election to take effect the coming Lords day.

The Rev. Walter Smith, though canonically connected with the Diocese of North Carolina, has continued his charge of Bethel in this Diocese, and has added the work in S. Martin's parish, Hamilton.

The Rev. John Scott, formerly Rector of S. George's parish, Hyde county, having left the Diocese, I have appointed the Rev. S. S. Barber to officiate monthly in S. George's. Mr. Barber also officiates monthly at Fairfield, Hyde county.

The parish of Grace Church, Plymouth, having become vacant by the death of Rev. Mr. Hilton, Rev. Mr. Eborn has assumed the charge.

Forty licenses to Lay Readers have been issued, of which thirty are for the year 1888.

We have six white and two colored postulants, in all eight.

We have two candidates for Deacon's orders only, Francis Joyner and Winborn N. Mellichampe, and six candidates for Priest's orders, viz: Rev. S. S. Barber, Rev. P. W. Cassey, and Rev. N. C. Hughes, Jr., and Messrs. Fred. N. Skinner, Claudius F. Smith and William J. Heritage, four white and two colored.

Our Clergy List includes, besides the Bishop, twenty two Priests and five Deacons. Of the former, however, Rev. Messrs. Lewis and Lynd have taken letters dimissory to other Dioceses. I am only waiting the formal acceptance of these letters to remove their names from the Clergy List.

Since our last gathering three of the House of Bishops have been called away, Right Rev. Robert W. B. Elliott, D. D., Missionary Bishop of Western Texas, Right Rev. John H. H. Brown, S. T. D., Bishop of Fond du Lac, and Right Rev. George K. Dunlop, S. T. D., Missionary Bishop of New Mexico and Arizona. Within the same period I have been called upon to give my consent to the election of the Right Rev. Wm. F. Adams, D. D., to the Episcopate of Easton; to the consecration of Rev. Abiel Leonard, D. D., as Bishop of the Diocese of Kansas, and of Rev. Jas. S. Johnston, D. D., as Missionary Bishop of Western Texas.

We have again been called upon to mourn the loss of some of our most valuable laymen. To do justice to them all would be impossible within the proper limits of this address. But among them I may without invidious distinction mention one who at the time of his decease was charged with special work for the Diocese. I refer to the Hon. Duncan K. McRae than whom few more remarkable for mental power have adorned the history of our Diocese and State.

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As a member of the Bar, with great powers of memory and comprehension, and of capacity for subtile analysis and brilliant oratory, his higher public offorts have rarely been surpassed.

Trained in early life by a Christian mother. I have heard him say that at one time he could repeat the whole New Testament.

He died within a few hours after receiving the Holy Com-

I have again to express the gratitude due to our Christian brethren of other denominations for their kindness on many occasions in allowing us to use their Churches.

I have many kindnesses, at the hands of my brethren the Clergy, to remember. They have helped me greatly in my care of the Diocese by their cheerful contributions of services outside their own particular fields of labor. In this way they have made their work unselfish.

Our finances have not been in as prosperous a condition as we could wish. The specially agricultural nature of the Diocese has made us feel seriously the succession—for now five years in many places—of bad or imperfect crops. Still, it remains true, that, whenever we find enough to supply our tables our persons or our homes with anything beyond the barest necessaries, we have *something* whereof we can to concontribute to the cause of God and Humanity. There can be no consistency in the plea of poverty when we can supply ourselves with anything beyond absolute necessaries. Nor can any one who does not care enough for God or for man to contribute liberally, according to his means, to objects of Religion or Benevolence, consistently claim that the love of God or of man rules in his heart. It is not a matter of

mere dollars and cents, but of love and support. I speak the more earnestly because in my rounds of supervision and enquiry I find so much deficiency, I fear I may call it delinquency—in the support of the Clergy. Let me repeat here, what I have mentioned in some of the parishes, viz: That if the *local* incomes of the Clergy of the Diocese should be classified it would be found that for one of our foremost Presbyters the provision is for only \$450 per annum, for another, but \$400, for two more \$375 each, for two others \$300 each, for three others \$200 each, and two others \$150 each and less.

What makes the matter worse is that even these small sums are not regularly paid, sometimes not fully paid at all.

It is to supplement these miserable salaries that your liberality is invoked in the collections for Diocesan Missions.

There are other objects also which claim our support, and among the foremost the provision for the widows and Orphans of our deceased Clergy, who, after a vain struggle with poverty, upon the meagre salaries I have mentioned, falling at last in the discharge of their duties, leave their families in our charge. For this there ought to be—if it were possible to obtain it—a permanent fund of such dimensions that its interest would supply a moderate but secure reliance for the families of deceased Clergy, dying at their post; cannot some of our men of larger means see to this?

And again, provision should be made for living Clergy who have wrought faithfully while able to do so, but who, by old age or infirmity, or through no fault of their own, have been thrown out of their employment. To meet this want, a movement has been initiated among some of the Clergy, in accordance with which each pledges himself to set aside for this object a tenth of his tithes. It may be well for the Coun-

cil to consider whether this idea may not be formulated to some practical and larger result.

At present we have nine white and two colored persons preparing for the ministry. Of these, seven need pecuniary help. A reference to the Treasurer's Report will show how inadequate our "Students Aid Fund" is for the purpose. I would earnestly ask your contributions for that object.

Once more—We need sorely larger contributions to the "Diocesan Church Building Fund." The providing for a parish or mission of a place of its own for worship may be for it a question of life or death.

Nor—again let me remind you—should we forget our extra-Diocesan obligations. Is it not possible for us to raise our quota of \$300 for the support of the Theological Department of the University of the South? And can we not do more than we are doing in recognition of the debts of gratitude we owe to those great agencies which have been doing so much for us. The "Board of Missions," the "Commission for work among people of color," the "Church Building Fund" of the general Church [a loan from which is, at this time, saving one of our Churches from seizure] the "Bible and Prayer Book Society" of our own Church, which has again during the past year enabled me to contribute a large number of Bibles, Prayer Books and Hymnals?

But, our Diocese will never meet its obligations in these respects, or get reliably upon its feet for its own work, until its members have learned to feel their responsibility to God—each for himself, and independently of special appeals—for the rendering to the Most High out of their incomes regularly a proportionate tribute as a *debt due*—without the payment of which they cannot honestly and honorably solicit. His favor

or occupy His earth and enjoy His bounties.

Your attention will be called to a new form of parochial report, drawn so as to be adapted to the form in which the Diocese is required, triennially, to report to the General Convention. I hope that the Clergy will realize the necessity of conforming closely to this arrangement and filling out their reports, since otherwise it will be impossible to make our triennial report accurate. Let me call the attention of the clergy to the law of the Diocese requiring that the parochial reports be made to the Bishop a least two weeks before the meeting of the annual Council. While I am gladly able to say that reports have been received from nearly every parish and mission in the Diocese, I am sorry to have to add that many of the reports have been delayed long after the prescribed time and to so late a date as to make it very difficult for me to examine them as it is intended I should do, or to have them properly tabulated. Here let me call attention to the beautiful tabulation of the parochial reports for which we are indebted to the care and labor of the Rev. Rector of S. John's Wilmington, and which not only saves the Committee on the State of the Church much time and labor but will ensure a degree of accuracy ordinaribly unattainable.

Notwithstanding the phenomenally small number of confirmations in a portion of the Diocese during the past year I cannot say that on the whole I think the spiritualoutlook unpromising. The falling off in the number of confirmations is largely due to the want of the clerical supply, especially in the Northern counties. But this defect is I hope now being largely remedied. But that the remedy may be permanent it is absolutely necessary that better provision be made for Clerical support, and that the salaries promised be more faithfully paid.

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Clergymen can, no more than any other men, live upon promises and upon air. They must have salaries and those salaries must be paid.

Allow me to suggest that in view of the difficulty, on the part of most persons, of remembering what changes are made from time to time in our Constitution and Canons, it would be well to direct the Secretary to have printed, on a fly-leaf of each Journal of the Council, the changes made in the law of the Diocese since the last revision, or at least, those made during the last session. It may be well to call the attention of the Committee on Canons to this subject.

And now brethren with grateful remembrance of what God has done for us in the Past, let us go forward with the Future into renewed determination to redeem the time that is left us and do all that may fall within our power—while life lasts—to advance His glory, the prosperity of His Church, the triumph of His Truth and the sanctification and happiness of our brethren. To His Power and mercy, I, as His Chief Officer over you, commit you Through Jesus Christ our Lord.

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AURORA MISSION, BEAUFORT COUNTY.

THE REV. N. C. HUGHES, JR., Deacon Officiating.

This Mission has recently organized into a Parish under the name of "Chapel of the Cross" and intends to apply for admission into union with the Council at its approaching Session.

BAYBORO MISSION. PAMPLICO COUNTY.

THE REV. N. C. HUGHES, JR., Deacon Officiating

On my last visit to Pamplico County the service was held at Stonewall, instead of Bayboro. It seems to be the general disposition to have the services given alternatively to the two towns.

It gave me pleasure to learn that there is a very general desire to build a Church here, and I was told that it was probable the the beginning could be made before long.

ST. PAUL'S, BEAUFORT.

THE REV. E. M. FORBES, Rector.

We have a Church Guild divided into separate chapters, and if the chapters will do their duty to the Church this Guild will be of great service to the Parish.

By the kindness and exertion of the Bishop, a beautiful Church has been built for the colored congregation; and we have every reason to believe a large congregation will be built up and many added to the Church.

[May,

ST. JAMES' MISSION, PANTEGO.

THE REV. N. E. PRICE, Rector.

The Church building requires about \$250.00 to complete it. We have received from the ladies of the Church of the Annunciation, N. Y., Dr. Seabury, Rector, some very handsome presents recently, consisting of a large Bible and chancel books, all nicely bound, also a very neat communion service and a large brass alms basin.

Monthly services are held in the Church Building.

ST. JOHN'S, DURHAM'S CREEK.

THE REV. N. C. HUGHES, JR., Deacon Officiating.

According to my regular scheme of work there are only eight Sundays per annum. Once I was prevented from attending by enforced absence away from home, and on account of high water I reached the Church too late for service, and once (Christmas Day) I was at Trinity Beaufort County, with the Bishop, in order to bring him down to this point only a day or two later.

There have been some contributions made on the Communicant Special Assessment not reported, of which the Treasurer of the Parish has account, and there may have been besides some Lenten contributions for objects suggested by the Bishop.

The few who remain here an to be commended for the fidelity with which they strive to do their part for the Diocese and the Church.

HAW BRANCH MISSION, BEAUFORT COUNTY.

THE REV. N C. HUGHES, JR., Deacon Officiating.

The work here is not encouraging, but it is of such a nature (consisting only of a Sunday afternoon Service given in passing) that but little could be hoped from it.

No collections are made except by the Bishop upon his regular visitation.

ST. PAUL'S, VANCEBORO.

THE REV. N. C. HUGHES, JR., Deacon Officiating.

The interest taken in the erection of the Church building here is doubtless good ground of encouragement. If more time could be had for visiting the people here it would be sure to produce better effect.

The Church building in progress is not reported, as it is not yet a Church, and its value in its present state is difficult to estimate.

TRINITY, BEAUFORT COUNTY.

THE REV. N. C. HUGHES, D. D., Rector.

A Mission Sunday School has recently been established in connection with this Parish. It numbers over fifty pupils and is in the charge of Mr. Francis Joyner and other young men belonging to Trinity School during the past year.

ST. PAUL'S, GREENVILLE.

THE REV. N. C HUGHES, D D., Rector.

A heavy debt, contracted in the building of the new Church, still rests upon this Parish, Efforts however are being made for its gradual liquadation.

ST, THOMAS' MISSION, CRAVEN COUNTY.

THE REV. ISRAEL, HARDING, Minister in Charge.

This Mission is only visited by the Minister in cases of emergency, and for no public Services.

Its chief object at present is the re-erection of its Church building, destroyed by fire during the war.

The Corner Stone of the new building was laid on the 17th of August last, by the Bishop of the Diocese. The Church building is now in progress of erection, and will soon be ready for occupancy; when it is hoped services may be established.

ST. MARY'S, KINSTON.

THE REV. ISRAEL HARDING, Rector.

The Parish is the home of the Missionary, and is the centre of his work. but an effort is made to observe the Saints' days, and Holy days, which with the Lenten Services, make up its work

The Parish has suffered during the year the loss, by death, of its Senior Warden, Mr. John C. Washington, who had been identified with the Parish from its organization. He died at his Summer home at Black Mountain, Buncombe County, N. C., on the 12th of June, 1887. The Minister and Parish mourn his loss, but feel assured that it is his gain,

[May,

HOLY INNOCENTS, LENOIR COUNTY.

THE REV. ISRAEL HARDING, Rector.

This Parish is visited only once a month, which with the unfinished state of its Church building, and the present financial depression of the land, accounts for the meagre contributions reported.

The Parish has a mission point at Antioch, in Duplin County, seven miles distant, which is visited in the afternoon, when the weather admits. Its matter for report is embodied with that of the Parish.

The Sunday School in this Parish is in a prosperous condition under the faithful care of its officers and teachers.

ST. BARNABAS MISSION, SNOW HILL.

THE REV. ISRAEL HARDING, Minister in Charge.

This Mission is visited only on the fifth Sundays for forenoon Services, and when emergencies require for special services.

GRACE CHURCH MISSION, TRENTON.

THE REV. ISRAEL HARDING, Minister in Charge.

This Mission is visited by the Missionary only bi-monthly, by reason of his numerous engagements at other places. Its prospects are encouraging.

ST. JOHN'S, PITT COUNTY. THE REV. ISRAEL HARDING, Rector.

This Parish is visited only once a month by the Minister except in emergencies. Its condition however is healthy and thriving.

It has three Missions connected with it to wit: Bell's Ferry, five miles distant, St. Michael's Mission and a Mission for the colored people.

None of these are organized, and are so nearly identified with the Parish, that their work is reported with it. The Parish has lost its Senion Warden, Mr. William A. Pugh, by death during the year. He was a native of the Parish and had been identified with it from its organization.

EMMANUEL CHURCH MISSION, FARMVILLE, PITT COUNTY.

THE REV. ISRAEL HARDING, Minister in Charge

This point is visited by the Missionary only on the afternoon of the fifth Sundays. At the late visit of the Bishop of the Diocese on the 15th of April last, the corner stone of the new church proposed to be built there, was laid.

ST. PAUL'S, CLINTON.

Our Parish has been without a Rector for several years in consequence of the Church being unfinished and it has been quite an effort to rear our new Church, but thanks to a merciful God, we have nearly completed the work and trust before long to have the Church in a condition to be consecrated. We have been favored with occasional services by Rev. Dr. Carmichael, of Wilmington, and Rev. Mr. Hillyar, of Goldsboro, and the irregularity prevents a report such as we would like to present.

A. HOLMES, S. W. R. H. HOLLIDAY, J. W.

CHRIST CHURCH, ELIZABETH CITY.

THE REV. HENRY A. SKINNER, Rector.

My report is accurate only for the period embracing February 11th (the date of my arrival in the Parish) to May 7th. My predecessor left the Parish in October of last year; consequently the record is incomplete. During the interval between his departure and my coming, regular services were conducted in the Parish Church by a Lay Reader, and the Sunday School was kept up.

ST. LUKE'S CHAPEL, ELIZABETH CITY.

THE REV. HENRY A. SKINNER, Minister in Charge.

I have made but one visit to this Chapel; none as yet to Camden Court House, where is another Chapel.

ST. GABRIEL'S MISSION, FAISON.

THE REV. JAMES M. HILLYAR, Minister in Charge.

On Monday, 6th of June, 1887, I went to Magnolia by invitation and held Service in the College Building, and have repeated the attendance on the Monday succeeding the first Sunday in each month. There are two families and two communicants. They pay my traveling expenses.

ST. STEPHEN'S, GOLDSBORO.

THE REV. J. M. HILLYAR, Rector.

During the period, from March 31st, 1887, to May 1st, 1888, I have held three week-day Public Services at St. Paul's, Clinton, and celebrated the Holy Communion there in public once.

[May.,

Since the last Parochial Report the debt on the tower, which completes the Church edifice very beautifully, has been paid.

ST. JOSEPH'S, FAYETTEVILLE.

THE REV. J. C. HUSKE, D. D., Rector.

Since my report to the last Council the Rev. Thomas Atkinson has been appointed Assistant Minister of this Parish. He entered upon his duties on the 19th af June last and since that time has been steadily engaged in the discharge of its duties, bearing indeed the burden of Parochial labors. The Church has felt the effect of his active and vigorous efforts in all its departments. My health though improved continues so frail and inadequate to efficient discharge of the duties of Rector, that I have felt it to be due to the congregation and myself to retire from that office.

Accordingly on the 25th of April I sent in my resignation to the Vestry, which was accepted and I was elected Rector Emeritus and Rev. Mr. Atkinson Rector.

I am pleased to say that a class for Confirmation—the second of the year—prepared by Mr. Atkinson awaits the receiving of that Holy Rite at the coming Council,

ST. MARTIN'S PARISH, HAMILTON.

THE REV. W. J. SMITH, Minister in Charge.

At the request of the Vestry, I assumed temporary charge of this Parish in January, and officiated for the first time on Septuagesima Sunday. The report includes besides my own work, that of visiting Clergymen of the Convocation of Edenton, as well as of Mr. R. H. Everett, for many years the faithful and efficient Lay Reader of the Parish, who has recently moved to another State, much to the regret of the many friends he left behind him.

ST. GEORGE'S, HYDE COUNTY.

THE REV. S. S. BARBER, Deacon Officiating.

As I have been officiating in this Parish only since the 4th Sunday in March last, I am not prepared to report the amount of the contributions of the Parish; nor the objects to which contributions have been made. I held services on the 4th Sunday in each month, as follows: At II A. M. in the Parish Church, with fair attendance, and at Rush Academy at Wysocking at 3:30 P. M. with very good attendance. Lay services are also held on intervening Sundays by Dr. Edward Clark.

SWAN QUARTER MISSION.

THE REV. S. S. BARBER, Deacon Officiating.

At this Station I have not been able, owing to the various causes, to officiate since Christmas. One very influential Church family having removed to another part of the country, we are left few in numbers and weak in purse. It is my intention however, to resume services at this place, on the night of the 3rd Sunday in each month, con mencing on the 3rd Sunday in the present month, May.

FAIRFIELD MISSION.

THE REV. S. S. BARBER, Deacon Officiating.

Services are held at this place on the 2nd Sunday in each month. We have recently added a half acre of land to our Church lot, at a cost of \$100 which adds much to the value of the property, making it a very desirable site on which to build a Church.

ST. JOHN'S, MAKELYVILLE.

THE REV. S. S. BARBER, Deacon Officiating

Services are held in this Parish on the 1st and 3d Sundays in each month both morning and evening when circumstances permit. Besides the services above reported I have officiated three times at Aurora, Berufort County, once at Lake Comfort and twice at Rose Bay school house, and four times at Lake Forest school house.

JAMESVILLE MISSIGN.

THE REV. T B. HAUGHTON, Minister in Charge.

My visits to Jamesville have not been frequent. The difficulty of my meeting the expense of getting there still exists, besides Church growth there is at present hopeless.

CHURCH OF THE ADVENT, WILLIAMSTON.

THE REV. T. B. HAUGHTON, Rector.

The ladies of the Parish have by their united efforts succeeded in carpeting the Vestry room and re carpeting the Chancel, besides placing matting down the aisle which adds very much to the looks of the Church. The Sunday School is larger than it has ever been, and there seems to be a general interest manifested in the Services of the Church.

May.

CHRIST CHURCH, NEWBERN.

THE REV. V. W. SHIELDS, Rector.

During the past year the services of the Church have been unusually well attended.

The entire balance of the debt resting on the congregation \$741.99, has been paid off. In addition to this, a debt of \$128.50, for lumber for St. Thomas' Church, has been assumed and paid, which amount is placed with the Church Building Fund in my report, but which, through mistake, will not appear in the report of the Diocesan Treasurer. Of the amount placed with the offerings for the University of the South \$15.85 was received in the offering at a Service at Morehead City. The late Mr. Geo. B. Guion left an endowment of \$500.00 to the Parish, \$395.00 of which has been realized. The late Mrs. E. McK. Roberts, also, left to the Parish treasury a donation of \$1,000.00 and the liberal bequests of these devout communicants will be of great help in the financial administration of the Parish in the future.

A Chapter of the "Brotherhood of St. Andrew" numbering about thirty members, has been organized, which for the past few months has been doing good and earnest work. A Mission Sunday School has been recently opened, the workers coming mostly from the Brotherhood, and we hope for good and useful results from this mission in the future.

ST. CYPRIAN, NEWBERN.

THE REV. V. W. SHIELDS, Rector.

THE REV. P. W. CASSEY, Deacon Officiating.

There is no important change to note at St. Cyprian. The increase of the number attending the Church is about counterbalanced by the loss by removals, as quite a number of the young people, that have been confirmed have gone to the North to work, and many more are anxious to go.

The decrease in the attendance at the Parish School is caused by my placing the two higher classes that I had been instructing, in the Graded School in care of Mr. Palmer. This I did in the interest of this work, as I think Mr. Palmer could instruct them properly, and this allowed me more time to carry on my parish duties.

Let me say once more that the great necessity of this work is more money to prosecute it. We cannot sustain our parish school nor use many of the instrumentalities by which the Master's Kingdom might be extended, without money.

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GRACE CHURCH, PLYMOUTH,

THE REV. LUTHER EBORN, Rector,

This Parish has been in my charge three months only, during which time I have given it one Sunday each month. The Report is precise for the time I have served and approximate for the balance of the year. The salary of Rector includes mine only. In addition to services reported Lay Reading has been kept up regularly.

ST, ANDREW'S MISSION, COLUMBIA.

THE REV. LUTHER EBORN, Minister in Charge.

Monthly services are held here to increased and attentive congregations.

ST. LUKE'S CHURCH, WASHINGTON COUNTY.

THE REV. LUTHER EBORN, Rector.

Services are held monthly in St. Luke's Church and also at Lee's Mills to good congregations.

GRACE CHURCH, WOODVILLE.

THE REV. H. M. JARVIS, Rector.

\$7.66 of the \$18.16 for Diocesan Missions were received by the Bishop during his visitation.

MISCELLANEOUS CONTRIBUTIONS.

For the conversion of the Jews contributed A. D , 1887, on Good	
Friday.	\$2 00
Contributed A. D., 1888, on Good Friday	2 32
Theo. Dep. University of the South, July A, D. 1887	7 41
Lenten offerings of Grace Church S. School, 1887	7 87
Lenten offerings of Grace Church S. School, A. D. 1888	10 70
Thanksgiving day offering to the Thompson Orphanage, A. D.	
1887	6 16
Society for the increase of the ministry, A. D. 1888	2 00
Bible and Prayer Book Society, A. D. 1888	2 00
Gen. American Church Building Fund, A. D. 1888	1 00
Extra (25cts each) from communicants for Diocesan Missions	2 75

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[May,

\$44.21—\$2.75—\$41.46, miscellaneous without the Diocese.

One lady parishioner has presented the Church with a step ladder costing about \$6.00.

Another has presented Altar Coverings and Frontals costing (without estimating her time in making and embroidering) \$17.93. \$30.00 of this sum is the value of the lace which measures five feet in length and nearly eight inches in width. The lace is a present from Miss Floy Caison, of Lenoir, Caldwell County, N. C.

Paid on Rectory debt since last report, \$57.17.

Four or five chills in one week during the latter part of August compelled me to spend September and a portion of October in the West. The mountain air, through God's blessing, had the desired effect of restoring me to my usual health.

Sept 4, I assisted the Rector of St. James' Church, Lenoir, Caldwell Co., N. C., in the Prayers and in the celebration of the Holy Communion.

Sept. 11th, I conducted the Service in the same Church, assisted by the Lay Reader, Col. Cilley.

Sept 18th, I assisted the Rector in a celebration and preached.

Sept. 21st, St. Matthias Day, I assisted the Rector.

Sept. 24th, 25 and 26th, I spent on the summit of Blowing Rock, 4,000 feet above the sea level, Mrs. Jarvis and I went up alone with a single horse and buggy and returned to Lenoir much benefitted by the cooler mountain atmosphere.

Sept. 29th, I read the Prayers in St. James' Church, Bishop Lyman preached, and celebrated, assisted by the Rector.

Oct. 2nd, I conducted the service and preached. The Lay Reader assisted in the prayers and the lessons.

Oct 9th, I returned to my own Church in time to meet Bishop Watson on his visitation.

ST. MARK'S CHAPEL, ROXOBEL.

THE REV. H. M. JARVIS, Minister in Charge

Sunday School Lenten offerings 53cts.

One lady is having a stained glass Gothic window on pivots placed in the side of the Chancel for ventilation and light.

Through the contributions of all the Church ladies at Roxobel, a font of solid and highly polished white marble has been placed in the Chapel at a cost of forty-five dollars.

The present position of the font "at the east in front of the congregation

is objectionable." See a work called "Modern Parish Churches" by J. T. Micklethwaite F. S. A. Architect. London A. D. 1874.

Here we are informed that "If there is a west door the font should be on one side, and sufficiently advanced from the wall to allow a passage behind it. If there is no west door it may be in the middle and against the wall. This is certainly the best position which can be chosen; for that the altar and the font occupying the central positions, one at the East and the other at the West, stand out distinctly as the principal objects in the Church and tell to all beholders of the too great sacraments "generally necessary to salvation."

The Architect recommends that the font be elevated on one or two steps and a platform surrounded by a railing. He supplies us with many other important suggestions on all of the subjects connected with Church buildings and furnishing.

Let me also refer to Bishop Coxe's Christian Ballads. See Ballad "Little Woodmere," "The Prayer Book Pattern," verse 14.

"As I entered the nave by the portal I came to the foot and thought Of the door to the Church Universal And how the new birth is wrought."

One lady of St. Mark's Chapel is about to give a carpet for the Chancel P. S. Of the \$5.78 to Diocesan Missions \$4.01 were received by the Bishop during his visitation.

ST. MARY'S, GATES COUNTY.

THE REV. ROBT. B. DRANE, Minister in Charge.

I visited once, said Evening Prayer and preached. Contributions for the Mission \$2.21.

COLERAIN, BERTIE COUNTY.

THE REV. ROBERT B. DRANE, Minister in Charge.

Families, 2, Souls, about 12, Holy Baptism—Infants, 2, Adult 1, total 3. Confirmation, 1, Communicants 3, Public Services on "other days" three. Contributions for the local Mission \$4.00

[May,

HOLY TRINITY PARISH, HERTFORD.

THE REV. ROBT. B. DRANE, Minister in Charge

I visited twice, conducted Evening Prayer and preached; officiated at a Burial.

ST. PETER'S CHAPEL, GATES COUNTY.

THE REV. ROBT. B. DRANE, Minister in Charge.

I visited once, conducted Evening Prayer, preached and administered the Holy Communion to 13.

Contributions for the Mission \$6.76.

It is refreshing to visit such earnest Christians and Churchmen as one finds here; they prepare the way for Ministerial work.

ST. BARNABAS, MURFREESBORO.

THE REV. ROBT. B. DRANE, Minister in Charge.

I visited once, said Evening Prayer and Preached, Contributions for the Mission \$1.36,

ST. JOHN'S, WINTON.

THE REV. R. B. DRANF, Minister in Charge.

I visited once, said Evening Prayer and preached. Contributions for Missionary work \$2.22.

I learned of a number of unbaptized infants.

HARRELLSONVILLE, HERTFORD COUNTY,

I visited this place with the Rev. N. Collin Hughes, Jr., acting as Evangelist, and found Family, I, Communicant I.

At Evening Prayer there was a good attendance, and a participation in the service.

ROBT. B. DRANE.

APPENDIX A.=II.

PASTORAL LETTER.



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Pastoral Letter.

Jeremiah VI. 16.—"Thus saith the Lord, stand ye in "the ways, and see, and ask for the old paths, where is the "good way, and walk therein, and ye shall find rest for your "souls.

DEAR BRETHREN OF THE CLERGY AND LAITY:

There is a restlessness in the religious atmosphere around us, and a tendency to unsettle old religious habits of thought and action, which is to be deplored and dreaded. We, as a Diocese, have now, for these many years, moved with great unanimity, and with a steadfast conservatism of churchmanship, which has, at the least, brought us peace and quiet.

It is true, Peace and Quiet are not always wholesome. They may degenerate into lethargy. There is peace and quiet, of a certain sort, in the grave.

The Christian life should be characterized by a regulated activity. Life will produce activity. Love will always be zealous. But activity and zeal may become irregular and lawless.

A movement is not necessarily unwholesome because new. Sometimes, new measures and new departures are demanded by the diseased and lethargic condition of the Church and world. But in the Church, when dealing with no mere human affairs, but with the awful work of God, all new measures should be carefully scrutinized before adoption, and when adopted, the decision in their favor should proceed with the sanction of the Church's authorities.

This is not to be priest-ridden, but to be law-abiding. The Church is not made, by God's ordinance, Episcopal for nothing. And if the church be (as most of us believe) the organized Kingdom of Christ, we should be very careful not to stray into paths which are not her own; nor to compromise her divine and separate authority by too hasty concessions, or by entanglements with organizations outside of her. this is not to be bigotted or narrow minded, but only to be true, and accurate, and loyal. There is no real breadth in thought or action which ignores Divine boundaries. To do so, is simply to be lawless or inaccurate. There would be no breadth of thought in denying, or narrowness in maintaining, the exclusive truth of Euclid's 47th proposition. But whatever are the facts concerning God's Kingdom or Church, or concerning its limitations or ordinances, they are just as much facts as Euclid's famous proposition. Our power to apprehend them may not be so great, or clear, or certain. But that does not diminish the certainty and exclusive truth of the facts themselves, or reduce our duty of definite faith and definite action (so far as attainable) with respect to them, or our duty resolutely to maintain them.

We are taught by S. Paul, (*Eph. IV.*, 5.) that there is one Faith for all; and we are commanded through S. Jude (3) to contend earnestly for *the* faith *once* delivered. And that the battle may be successfully fought, along the lines of truth, it is important that our "trumpets give no uncertain sound."

I fear, that at this time, an exaggerated—and therefore, so far, a false, because unregulated—yearning for Unity is doing much mischief in this direction, by removing—or at least obscuring—old landmarks of Faith and Action. I believe in Unity—in the duty of Unity—in the importance of Unity. Our Lord would not have offered His great prayer for

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Unity if Unity were not His will. And it is something wonderful how, all over our part of Christendom, where, within our own recollection—the constant maxim used to be. that it was better that Christians should be divided—since thus they would be more watchful of one another, and of each other's doctrines, and so would guard the Faith on every side—where again, men used to think it a Christian solution of theological controversy, to agree to disagree—it is simply wonderful how all this has changed within the last few years. Is it God's Providence, bringing about what a few years since seemed hopeless? Is it the great ground swell of God's spirit, like a mighty sea, breaking up our frozen and settled and self satisfied Sectarianism, that out of the chaos might come forth a new and harmonious world? What blessed signs and premonitions have come to pass of late! Hand reached forth to hand, to grasp in friendship, where before was the armed fist to strike! Whatever the cause, let us devoutly thank God for this much of the effect, and with sincere and loving hearts salute our kinsmen of other names who beckon to us. Let us seek to unite with them in the loving embrace of brethren in one Household. But let us beware, lest in order to reach them, we meddle with the arrangements of the Master of the Household.

Unity is a duty. Organic unity is a duty. But it must be reached by lawful roads. And so long as men conscientiously think and reason, the only road to a true effective organic unity must be found, not in arbitrary leagues or covenants, but in drawing near from every side to God, and to God's truth, and, therefore, in the resolute maintenance of the Truth. And the only reliable and permanent basis of unity will be found in the "Unity of the Faith" once delivered. (Eph. IV. 13, S. Jude 3) It is only by this unity of the Faith—

by being no longer blown about by every wind of doctrine—that S. Paul teaches us we can come into the one perfect man in Christ.

A temporary and hollow fraternization may result from sinking out of sight obstructing convictions, but no permanent unity, so long as men think and reason.

God has placed neither His Truth nor His Kingdom at our disposal, to modify or put them in exchange, as we will. Both are precise and of obligation; and pertain to His supreme prerogative. And our plain duty, with respect to both—as humble creatures, atoms of dust that we are—as pardoned sinners, for whom to be presumptuous is monstrous—as returned prodigals, expected modestly to conform ourselves to the laws of our Fathers house—our plain duty is to abide by God's appointments; let men proclaim what doctrines they may—let the world sneer at our precision as it may, or call it bigotry. While we may not imagine ourselves infallible, yet must we recognize the duty of definite convictions, with respect to the faith once delivered, and the church established by our Master as His Kingdom. Nor may we as Christian Soldiers fail of the courage of our convictions.

And, what if God in his absolute Sovereignty should choose to bless others than ourselves, or those who so far as we can see have not yet altogether found the old paths; let us thank Him for His enlarged mercy, and for their sakes rejoice. But is that to justify us in departing from the path he has assigned us?

Inexpressibly valuable as unity is, it is not so valuable as *Obedience* and *Truth*. All Christians and all Christendom should be one; but should not become one, by trampling upon the lines of division between truth and error.

I spoke, in the outset, of the tendency to new habits of

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thought and action. There is in the world of religious thought (and it creeps sometimes into the ministry) a tendency to individualism and novelty, which is fraught with danger. Whence is this? By what side wind has it invaded the garden of God? Can it be the insidious, unsuspected work of him, who taught our first parents—after his own fashion—to think for themselves, in Eden? We should not be the slaves of others' thoughts, but neither should we be selfishly ambitious to distinguish ourselves by inventing or proclaiming novelties. This has been, through all past generations, the fruitful mother of the sins of Heresv and Schism. not the true freedom of the child of God, who though no longer a servant—but a son, should yet be "humble as a little child", filially willing to accept all that God's spirit has revealed. Nor is it in harmony with the spirit of the Church. Rather is it the genius of the Church, to love the old paths, to desire to be at one with the generations which have gone by, so far as we can be so without sacrifice of truth, not to seek the new because of its freshness—because it is new but rather, to "ask for the old paths, where is the good way, and to walk therein," as said the prophet: Nay! rather, God, by His prophet.

Wilfulness of thought often takes effect in wilful action. Departure from the faith of God's Church is almost sure to result in violation, or careless observance of her laws. But brethren of the Clergy and Laity, we have no more right to violate, or in any degree to contravene, the Law of the church than we have to controvene the Law of the State. Less right indeed, if there be any difference. In addition to the obligation of all duly enacted law, whether in the Church or in the State, we of the clergy by our ordination vows, and you of the Laity by your vows in Baptism, are specially

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pledged to observe the Church's law. And let us remember that wilful disobedience of any law, duly enacted by the proper authority, is sin.

"Sin (saith S. John, I Ep. III. 4.) is the transgression of the law; and sin is inconsistent with righteousness, with holiness, with true spirituality, with all genuine religion. God governs us by His Church, as he governs the citizen by the State, and the child by the parent, and so the Church's law, so far as it does not contravene the proclaimed will of God, becomes—within its sphere, Gods law for us; and the man, be he clergyman or layman, who lives in wilful violation of the Church's canons, or her rubrics, (which are her laws) is, to say the least, an imperfectly sanctified man; and is not wisely preparing for the tests of the Judgment, or for the perfect obedience of Heaven.

Let us lay these things to heart; and while learning the lesson of love for those who differ from us-while we pray for unity, and yearn with all our hearts—with the great heart of Christendom-for unity, let us not dare lay hand on God's Truth, or God's ordinances, or the fences of God's Kingdom, to pull down what He has set up; remembering that true Holiness, without which it is written "no man shall see the Lord" is not to be found in error, or in disobedience. Remembering, that our blessed Lord, just before His petition that His disciples might all be one, had prayed that they might be sanctified through the truth. Remembering too, that having said "He that hath my commandments and keepeth them, he it is that loveth me," He then commanded, through His Apostle (Heb. XIII 17), "Obey them that have the rule over you and submit yourselves for they watch for your souls;" and that during His earthly life, He had ordained of the man who should refuse to hear the Church, "Let him be unto thee as a heathen man and a publican." (S. Matt. XVIII. 17.)

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APPENDIX B.

TREASURER'S REPORT

For Fiscal Year Ending March 31, 1888.



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TREASURER'S REPORT.

FOR FISCAL YEAR, ENDING MARCH 31, 1888.

To the Fifth Annual Council of the Diocese of East Carolina:

The undersigned respectfully presents his accounts for the past fiscal year. Showing the following cash balances in his hands, viz:

Episcopal and Contingent Fund\$		
Diocesan Missions	557	32
Relief Fund	461	58
Students Aid Fund	27	49
Church Building Fund	52	00
Permanent Episcopal Fund	21	25
Fund for Education of children of Deceased Clergymen	139	69
Clergy Relief Fund	92	71
Interest Account	2	63
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A List of Securities belonging to the Diocese is also herewith reported, as required by Canon VI.

The following amounts for purposes outside of the Diocese have also been received and remitted during the past year, viz:

FOR THE THEOLOGICAL DEPARTMENT OF THE UNIVERSITY OF THE SOUTH:

From	Grace Parish, Bertie County	\$ 7 41
66	St. Paul's Parish, Edenton	10 25
6.6	St. Martin's Parish, Hamilton	
	Collection by Rev. V. W. Shields, at Morehead City	13 15
1.6.6	Christ Church Parish, Newbern	64 10
4.6	St. David's Parish, Scuppernong	60
	St. Lukes Parish, Washington County	40
Ċ	St. James, Wilmington	
"	Rev. T. M. Ambler, Wilmington	
	Total #	105.54

FOR THE SOCIETY FOR INCREASE OF THE MINI: TRY:
From a Collection at Meeting of the Council, May 1887, at Edenton
Total
FOR THE NEW YORK BIBLE AND PRAYER BOOK SOCIETY:
From a Collection at Meeting of the Council, May 1887, at Edenton
FOR AFRICAN MISSIONS:
From St. Peter's Mission, Gates County\$ 1 00
FOR THE EMPOLMENT FUND FOR GENERAL MISSIONS OF THE CHURCH:
Amount in hands of Treasurer as reported to the Council of 1887\$296 oo Added by Interest on Deposits in Bank
Total\$309 85

The attention of the Council is called to the fact that the receipts for the Episcopal and Contingent Fund during the past year have not been sufficient to provide fully for the restoration to the Permanent Episcopal Fund of the sum of \$368,77 borrowed by authority of the Council from that Fund last year to make up in part for the deficit in the Current Fund for 1886-'87. The present surplus of \$198,55 may be applied towards the payment of that debt, if so ordered by the Council—and, under the present Canon XXI the balances at credit of the Clergy Relief Fund, \$139.69, and the Fund for Education of Children of Deceased Clergymen, \$92.71, must await the action of the Council before being added to the Permanent Funds to which they belong.

Respectfully submitted,

A. J. DEROSSET, Treasurer,

LIST OF SECURITIES BELONGING TO THE DIOCESE.

In Hands of Treasurer April 1, 1888.

FOR ACCOUNT OF THE PERMANENT EPISCOPAL FUND.			
Par Value.			
Nos. 1545, 1565, \ 4 Bonds of the North Carolina R. R. Co., 8s, 1566, 1567, \ payable Nov. 1, 1888, \$500 each\$ 2,000 oo			
No. 1159, I Bond State of North Carolina "Renewal Debt," 6s, payable April 1, 1910 1,000 00			
No. 1861, I Bond State of North Carolina, 4s, due July			
1, 1910 1,000 00			
No 319, I Bond City of Wilmington, 8s, due July 1, 1888			
Nos. 72, 97, 98, 3 Bonds City of Wilmington, 8s, \$500 each, due January 1, 1892			
Nos. 53 to 59, 7 Bonds City of Wilmington, 6s, due July 1, 1897			
No. 119, I Bond County of Craven, 6s, due July 1, 1909 500 00 50 Shares in the North Carolina R. R. Co 5,000 00			
Bond and Mortgage, J. W. Barnes, 8 per ct			
In addition to above the Diocese owns the Episcopal Residence in Wilmington—estimated value			
FOR ACCOUNT OF THE FUND FOR EDUCATION OF CHILDREN OF DECEASED			
CLERGYMEN.			
Nos. 61 and 62, 2 Craven Co. Bonds, 6s, \$500 each, due July 1, 1909\$1000 00			
Nos. 1096 to 1105, 10 Craven Co. Bonds, as above, \$25 each 250 00			
4 Shares in the North Carolina R. R. Co			
For Account of the Clergy Relief Fund.			
No. 324, I Bond City of Wilmington, 8s, due July I, 1888			
I Share stock in North Carolina R. R. Co			
Half interest in a judgment against Mr John Wilkes of Charlotte, including interest to April 30, 1888, about			

DR. Diocese of East Carolina, for the Current Episcopal and Contingent Fund

		1
To balance per account rendered to April 1, 1887		\$ 457 49
meeting of Council at Edenton, viz:	dt T	# 0
Rev. I. Harding	\$ 14 12	
"T. B. Haughton	12	
" J. M. Hillyar	2	
" J. C. Huske, D. D	_	\$ 72.85
" N. Harding, expenses as Secretary		9 70
"Do. Salary as Secretary for year 1886-'87		100 00
Paid Printing Treasurer's Report	35	
" and distributing Journals	226	
" " Circulars	4	50 266 40
" Incurance on Enisconal Residence		
rusurance on Expiscopal Residence		33 00
" Postage and telegrams " Expenses of Standing Committee		9 74
of Committee on Will of Miss Smith		8 05
"Bishop's Salary, I year to April I, 1888		2,500 00
" Treasurer General Convention, extra assessment for		
expenses of Session of 1886		28 00
at 5 per cent		175 23
" Balance carried forward		198 55
,		- 9- 55
		\$3,873 40

In Account with A. J. DeRosset, Treasurer, for the Fiscal Year	1887-'88	CR.
By Amount transferred from the Permanent Episcopal		1
Fund, by order of the Council		\$ 368 77
"Amount received from Parishes and Mission Stations,		
per Tabular Statement herewith		1,999 16
"Amount received on account of Special Assessment		
on Communicants, per Tabular Statement		281 84
"Donation from Mrs. T. H. Lassiter, Sunbury, Gates		
County		5 00
"Income from the Permanent Episcopal Fund, viz: "Coupons May and Nov. '87, \$2,000 North Carolina R.		
R. Bonds, 8s	\$ 160 oc	,
"Coupon Oct. '87, \$1,000 N. C. State 6s	30 00	i
". "July '87, \$5,100 City of Wilmington, 8s		
" January '88, \$2,500, City of Wilmington, 8s	100 00	
" July, '87, and Jan., '88, \$3,500, City of Wil-		
mington 6s	210 00	•
" July '87, and July '88 \$500 Craven County 6s	6o oc	•
" July, '87, and Jan., '88, \$1,000 N. C. State 4		
per cent	40 00	
"Dividend for Sept., '87, 3 per cent. on 25 Shares N.		_
C, R. R.	75 00	1
" for March, '88, 3 per cent. on 50 Shares N.	150.00	1
"Interest at 8 per cent. on Bond of J. H. Boatwright to	150 00	1
July 6, '87	57 16	
" at 8 per cent. on Bond of W. L. DeRosset, Jr.,	37 10	
to May 27, '87	96 67	
" on Bond of J. W. Barnes to Dec. 12, '87	24 00	
		1,206 83
" on Deposits in Bank		11 80
		3,873 40
By Balance		\$ 198 55

DR. Diocese of East Carolina, for Diocesan			Missions
To Paid appropriations by the Committee, viz: "Rev. S. S. Barber	o Rev. T B Haughton	150 00 100 00	ŧ.
" L. Eborn 100 0 " L Harding 150 0 " N, C. Hughes, D. D	o "R. B. Windley	100 00 50 00	i
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ings and Mite Chests for Bis Treasurer's commisssion on re-	hop's Fund		83 07
CentBalance carried forward			53 90 557 32
			\$1694 29

DR.	Diocese of East Carolina for th	Diocese of East Carolina for the Relief Fund,		
To paid Bishop Watson for dis " Treasurer's commission on " Balance	stribution	\$ 25 00 9 87 461 58		
		\$ 496 45		

DR. Diocese of East Carolina for the Stud	ent's Aid Fund,
To paid appropriations, viz. " " Mr. W. J. Heritage " " H. H. Barber " " Joyner " " F. N. Skinner " " C. F. Smith " Treasurer,s commission on \$61 22, at 5 per ct " Balance carried forward	\$ 28 00 25 00 25 00 50 00 20 00 3 06 27 49
	\$175 55

In Account with A. J. DeRosset, Treasurer, for the Fiscal Year 18	87-'88 CR.
By balance of account to April 1887 "am't received from Parishes and Mission Stations, per Tabular Statement "am't Bishop's collections, per Tabular Statement	\$616 34 604 62 473 33
1888. April By Balance	\$1694 29 \$ 557 32

In Account with A. J. DeRosset, Treasurer, Fiscal Year 1887-'88.	CR.
By balance per account April, 1887	\$ 299 00 182 22
20, '87	2 23 5 00
Clergy Relief Fund	8 00
1888.	\$ 496 45
April. By Balance	\$ 461 58

In Account with A J. DeRosset, Treasurer, for Fiscal Year 1887-'88.	CR.
By balance April, 1887	\$ 114 33 61 22
1888.	\$ 175 55
April. By Balance.	\$ 27 49

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Dr.	Diocese of East Carolina for the Perman	ent Episco	pal Fund,
1887			
May	23. To am't transferred to credit of current Episcopal and Contingent Fund by authority of the		
	Council		\$ 368 77
July			3 77
J J	104 per cent		2600 00
Aug.	31. " Purchase of 10 Shares N. C. R. R. Stock at		
8	103 per cent		1030 00
4.6	" " Purchase of 15 Shares N. C. R. R. Stock at		1030 00
	103½ per cent	ļ	1548 75
1888			1340 73
	" Balance carried forward		21 25
			\$5568 77
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DR. Diocese of East Carolina, Fund for Education of Children of De	c'd Clergymen,
To paid July 1, '87, for 4 Shares N. C. R. R. stock at 104 per cent	\$ 416 00 9 52 139 69
	\$ 565 21

In Account with A. J. DeRosset, Treasurer, for Fiscal Year 1887-'88.	CR.
By Balance April, 1887	\$ 75 68 54 02
1888. April. By Balance	\$ 129 70 \$ 52 00

In Account with A. J. DeRosset, Treasurer, for Fiscal Year 1887-'88.	
April 1887. By Balance	\$ 368 77
" 6. By cash for balance due on J. H. & M. L. Boatwright's bond, paid this day	2600 00 1100 00 1500 00
1888.	\$5568 77
April By Balance.	\$21 25

In Account with A J. DeRosset, Treasurer, for Fiscal Year 1887-'88.		CR.
April, '87 By Balance		74 86
tured Bonds, Nos. 167, 168, 246, 100 each		300 00
By Coupons of 1250 Craven County Bonds for 1887		75 00
" " \$300 City of Wilmington 8s for July '87		75 00 12 00
"Dividend on 4 Shares N. C. R. R. 3 per ct., Sept. '87		12 00
" " M'ch '88		12 00
"Interest on deposits in bank	e	4 35
000		\$ 565 21
r888. April By Balance		\$ 139 69

DR.	Diocese of East Carolina for the	Clergy Relie	ef Fund
1887. Aug.	To cash paid for 1 Share N. C. R. R. Stock at 1031/4 per cent	*	103 25 68 92 71
			196 64

In Account with A, J. DeRosset, Treasurer, for Fiscal Year 1887-'88	В. Ск.
July " Balance	\$ 182 92 8 00
R. R. stock	3 00 2 72
1888 ——April By Balance	196 64

TABULAR STATEMENT

Showing Amounts Received from Parishes and Mission Stations for the Fiscal Year 1887-389.

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* Released by Council.



APPENDIX B-II.

Treasurer's Supplementary Report

Showing Receipts since closing his Annual Accounts to April 1, 1888, up to and including April 30, 1888.

It being now required by Canon XVII, as amended by the Council of 1887, that the Parochial Reports shall contain all information concerning the Parishes and Missions up to and including April 30, preceding each Annual Council, it seems proper that the Treasurer's Report should be brought to the same date, and that in future the financial year of the Diocese shall be made to conform to the above requirement.

The undersigned presents therefore the following statement of receipts to April 30, 1888, since the closing of his regular annual report, so that the financial status of each Parish and Station from which remittances have been received in the interim, can readily be seen as it stands on his books at this date.

In addition to the figures given in the following table, \$1 50 has been added to the Permanent Episcopal Fund, being one-half of \$3, paid by Miss Avery on her note given before the division of the old diocese.

Thirty dollars has been received from income of the Permanent Episcopal Fund by collection of the April, '88 coupon of a 6 per cent. bond of the State of North Carolina of \$1,000.

One hundred and fifty dollars has been added to the principal of the Clergy Relief Fund, being one-half of a payment by Mr. John Wilkes on account of a judgment, belonging to that fund before division of the old diocese.

Ten dollars has been received and remitted for the Enrolment Fund, for the General Missions of the Church, being two contributions of \$5 each from Miss Annie Wood and Brent S. Drane, of St. Paul's parish, Edenton.

Four dollars and sixty-nine cents has been received and remitted to the Theological Department of the University of the South, contributed by St. Martin's parish, Hamilton.

After transferring to the current Episcopal and Contingent Fund of \$30 from the income of the Permanent Episcopal Fund, and of \$21 84 received on account of assessment of communicants, and after payment to Rev. N.

Harding of \$100, salary for the past fiscal year, \$208 33 for the Bishop's salary to this date, and \$14 63 Treasurer's commissions on receipts, the balances carried forward at this date stand as follows:

Episcopal and Contingent Fund	\$123 08
Diocesan Missions	602 67
Relief Fund	462 23
Student's Aid Fund	40 85
Church Building Fund,	55 65
Permanent Episcopal Fund	22 75
"Fund for Education of Children of deceased cler-	
gymen	139.69
" Clergy Relief Fund	242 71
Interest Account.	2 63
Total	1,692 26

Respectfully submitted,

A. J. DEROSSET,

Treasurer.

Table Showing Receipts Since Closing of Annual Account April 1, '88, up to and Including April 30, '88.

PARIHES	LOCATION	Episcopal and Contingent Fund Diocesan Missions Relief Fund Church Building Fund Church Building Fund Church Building Fund Church Building Fund Missions Collections Diocesan Missions. Communic'ts
Trinity Zion St. Stephen's St. Paul's St. Martin's Holy Trinity St. Mary's Holy Innocents St. John's St. Peter's Advent St. Peter's St. Paul's St. Thomas	Goldsboro Greenville Hamilton Hertford Kinston Lenoir County Newbern Pitt County Vanceboro Washington Williamston Williamston	$ \begin{array}{c ccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccc$
Antioch Chapel St. Peter's	Aurora Bayboro Faison Farmville. Gates County Richlands	80. 3 25 4 00. 3 15 6 00. 2 83



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OF THE

SIXTH ANNUAL COUNCIL

OF THE

PROTESTANT EPISCOPAL CHURCH

IN THE

DIOCESE OF EAST CAROLINA,

HELD IN

ST. JAMES' CHURCH, WILMINGTON, N. C.,

ON THE

22ND, 23RD AND 24TH OF MAY, A. D. 1889.

WILMINGTON, N. C.; WM. I. DE ROSSET, JR., PRINTER AND BINDER. 1889.



Amendments to Ganons and Constitution.

Resolved, That Canon XVII. be amended by substituting for the form of Parochial report therein contained the form of Parochial report submitted by the Committee on Canons to this Council which was unanimously adopted. See Journal 1888.

Resolved, That Canon IX. be amended by the addition of a section to read as follows:

SEC. 4.—In case of the absence of all the members from this Diocese at any annual meeting of the Board of Trustees of the University of the South the Bishop may appoint any Clergyman or Layman of this Diocese who may be present to represent this Diocese temporarily during such meeting.

See Journal 1889.

Resolved, That the words "a Chancellor, who shall be a member of the Legal profession," be inserted in Art VIII., SEC. I. of the Constitution after the word Diocese in the second line of said section.

Unanimously adopted. See Journal 1889.

Resolved, That Canon XXI. be amended by inserting the following at the end of Section 2. "Provided, that, without the special action of the Council no appropriation from either of these funds shall be made to any disabled Clergyman, or to a widow or orphan of any deceased Clergyman who was not regularly engaged in Ministerial work within the Diocese at the time immediately preceeding the occurence of his disability or decease."

EXTRACTS FROM CANONS OF THE GENERAL CHURCH.

CANON 20, TITLE I

OF THE DUE CELEBRATION OF SUNDAYS.

All persons within his Church shall celebrate and keep the Lord's Day, commonly called Sunday, in hearing the word of God read and taught, in

Extracts From Canons.

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private and public prayer, in other exercises of devotion, and in acts of charity, using all godly and sober conversation.

CANON 12 SEC. 1 OF TITLE 2.

A communicant removing from one parish to another shall procure from the Rector (if any) of the Parish of his last residence, or, if there be no Rector, from one of the Wardens, a certificate stating that the or she is a communicant in good standing; and the Rector of the Parish or Congregation to which he or she removes shall not be required to receive him or her as a communicant until such letter be produced.

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Officers of the Council.

Piocese of East Carolina.

BISHOP AND EXOFFICIO CHAIRMAN OF THE COUNCIL:

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THE RT. REV. ALFRED A. WATSON, D. D., Wilmington.

A. D. 1889.

PRESIDENT OF THE COUNCIL:

THE REV. N. C. HUGHES, D. D., Chocowinity, N. C.

SECRETARY:

THE REV. NATHANIEL HARDING, Washington, N. C.

ASSISTANT SECRETARY:

THE REV. F. N. SKINNER, Hertford, N. C.

TREASURER:

ARMAND J. DEROSSET, M. D., Wilmington, N. C.

HISTORIOGRAPHER:

COL. JAMES G. BURR, Wilmington, N. C.

Committees and Trustees.

May

STANDING COMMITTEE:

The Rev. Joseph C. Huske, D. D., A. J. DeRosset, M. D. The Rev. James Carmichael, D. D., John Hughes, The Rev. Robert Strange.

EXECUTIVE MISSIONARY COMMITTEE:

The. Rev. Charles L. Arnold, George H. Roberts,
The Rev. Robert Strange, H. R. Bryan, E. S. Hoyt.

COMMITTEE ON CANONS:

The Rev. J. C. Huske, D. D.,
The Rev. J. M. Hillyar,
The Rev. V. M. Shields,
Dr. A. J. DeRosset,
Major John Hughes.

COMMITTEE ON FINANCE:

The Rev. N. C. Hughes, D. D., William Calder, The Rev. Thomas Atkinson, H. G. Smallbones, George H. Roberts.

STUDENTS' AID COMMITTEE:

The Rev. Thomas Atkinson, S. J. Hinsdale, F. R. Rose.

CHURCH BUILDING COMMITTEE:

The Rev. Robert B. Drane, Wilson G. Lamb, The Rev. T. B. Haughton

TRUSTEES OF THE DIOCESE:

Rt. Rev. A. A. Watson, D. D., Hon. George Davis, Col. J. W. Atkinson,

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Committees and Trustees.

TRUSTEES OF THE UNIVERSITY OF THE SOUTH:

The. Rev. V. W. Shields,

W. B. Shepard. Graham Daves.

DEPUTIES TO THE GENERAL CONVENTION:

The Rev. Jos. C. Huske, D. D.,

The Rev. N. C. Hughes, D. D., The Rev. Nathaniel Harding, A. M. Waddell,

The Rev. V. W. Shields,

A. J. DeRosset, M. D.

John Hughes,

J. W. Atkinson.

SUPPLEMENTARY DEPUTIES:

The Rev. Jas. Carmichael, D. D., James C. McRae,

The Rev. R. B. Drane,

The Rev. Israel Harding,

The Rev. Robert Strange,

Wilson G. Lamb. R. R. Cotten, William Calder.

Regular Committees

APPOINTED BY THE BISHOP.

COMMITTEE ON ELECTIONS:

The Rev. R. B. Drane,

Du Brutz Cutlar, R. R. Cotten.

Trustees and Committees.

May

NEW PARISHES:

The Rev. F. N. Skinner,

R. C. Cantwell, W. B. Brown.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

The Rev. Luther Eborn,

John Dunn, Henry Wingate.

COMMITTEE ON THE STATE OF THE CHURCH.

The Rev. Jas. Carmichael, D. D., Wilson G. Lamb,

The Rev. Chas. L. Arnold, The Rev. Isreal Harding, Col. W. L. DeRosset.

Committee to Report to the Council

OF 1890.

Executive Missionary Committee to consider method of raising funds for Diocesan Missions, and to report their conclusions at the next Council, accompanied by a Canon covering the same.

Alphabetical Trist of the Stergy.

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[Those marked thus* were present, and †, not entitled to seats.]
*The Rt. Rev. Alfred Augustin Watson, D. D., Wilmington.

PRIESTS:

The Rev. *Arnold, Charles London, Rector, St. Paul's, Wilmington.

*Atkinson, Thomas, Rector, St. John's, Fayette-ville.

Benton, Angelo A., D. D., Professor University of the South.

*Carmichael, Jas., D. D., Rector St. John's, Wilmington, and Examining Chaplain.

*Coerr, Charles Thompson, Rector St. Mark's, Wilmington.

*Drane, Robert Brent, Rector St. Paul's, Edenton and in charge of St. John Evangelist Mission, Edenton.

*Eborn, Luther, Rector St. David's Scuppernong,

Rector Grace Church, Plymouth, Rector St. Luke's, Washington county, and in charge of St. Andrew's Mission, Columbia.

Forbes, Edward McAstney, Rector St. Paul's, Beaufort, and Examining Chaplain.

*Harding, Israel, Rector St. Mary's, Kinston, Rector Holy Innocents, Lenoir county, Rector St. John's, Pitt county, and in charge of Missions at La Grange, Snow Hill, St. Thomas, Craven county, Grace church, Trenton, and in the counties of Duplin and Onslow.

*Harding, Nathaniel, Rector St. Peter's, Washington, Secretary of the Council, and Examining Chaplain.

*Haughton, Thomas Benbury, Rector Church of the Advent, Williamston, Rector St. Thomas', Windsor.

*Hillyar, James Mends, Rector St. Stephens', Goldsboro, and in charge of St. Gabriel's Mission, Paison.

*Hughes, Nicholas Collin, D. D., Rector Trinity Church, Beaufort county, Rector St. Paul's, Greenville, Examining Chaplain and President of the Council.

*Huske, Joseph Caldwell, D. D., *Rector Emeritus*, St. John's, Fayetteville, and in charge of Christ Church, Rockfish, and St. Joseph's, Fayetteville. President of the Standing Committee.

Jarvis, Herbert Munson, Rector Grace Church, Woodville, and in charge of St. Mark's Mission, Roxobel.

*Price, Nymphas Edgar, Rector St. Thomas', Bath, Rector St. James', Beaufort county, and in charge of Mission at Pantego.

*Shields, Van Winder, Rector Christ Church,

Clergy List

Newbern, and Examining Chaplain.

Skinner, Henry A.

*Skinner, Frederick Nash, Rector Holy Trinity, Hertford, Rector St. Mary's, Gatesville, Rector St. John's, Winton, and in charge of St. Barnabas, Mission, Murfreesboro.

*Strange, Robert, Rector St. James', Wilmington, and Examining Chaplain.

Thorpe, Thomas May.

*Turner, Joseph Wilmer, Rector St. Paul's, Clinton.

DEACONS:

The Rev. Barber, Samuel Swann, Officiating at St. John's, Wakeville, Hyde county, St. George's, Lake Landing, and Missions of Swan Quarter, Fairfield and Lake Comfort.

*Cassey, Peter William, Officiating at St. Cyprian's Newbern.

Hughes, Nicholas Collin, Jr., Officiating at the Chapel of the Cross, Aurora, and St John's, Durham's Creek.

*Mellichampe, Winborn Lanton, Officiating at South Dills and Camden Court House.

*Morrelle, Daniel, Teaching in Wilmington. Windley, Robert Bowen, Officiating at Zion Church, Beaufort county.

DEACONS ORDERS.

Francis Joyner.

LAYMEN, CANDIDATES FOR PRIEST'S ORDERS.

Claudius F. Smith, William J. Herritage,
DEACONS, CANDIDATES FOR PRIEST ORDERS.

Rev. S. S. Barber, Rev. P. W. Cassey, Rev. N. C. Hughes, Jr., Rev. R. B. Windley.

Candidates and Examining Chaplains.

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EXAMINING CHAPLAINS.

The Rev. Jas. Carmichael, D. D., The Rev. Robt. Strange. The Rev. E. M. Forbes, The Rev. V. W. Shields, The Rev. N. C. Hughes, D. D., The Rev. N. Harding.

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Tist of Parishes and Qission Stations

IN THE DIOCESE.

AND OF DELEGATES ENTITLED TO SEATS IN THE COUNCIL, OF 1889,

[Those marked thus* were present. Mission Stations in Italics.]

Chapel of the Cross, Aurora.

Bayboro Mission.

St. Thomas', Bath.

J. A. H. Tankard, F. S. Stickney, B. F. Carrow,

George O. Gaylord*.

St. Paul's, Beaufort,

B. L. Perry,
A. C. Davis,
Alonzo Thomas,
J. L. Gibble,

Dr. Edward King, M. C. Phelps, L. A. S. Karren, Kay Guthrie,

St. James, Beaufort County.

D. W. Jarvis,G. L. Swindell,F. B. S. Jarvis.

B. F. D. Johnson, T. W. J. Lewellyn,

Parishes, Missions, Delegates and Alternates.

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St. John's, Beaufort County.

Joseph L. Butt, William M. Butt, Ab. Tuten Thomas C. Butt, Edward Tripp,

Haw Branch: Beaufort County.

Trinity, Beaufort County.

Henry Wingate*, W. R. Bright, Frederick Grist, W. S. Barnard, S. B. Archbell, Frederick Woolfendew, W. H. Patrick, Jesse B. Archbell.

Zion Church, Beaufort County.

Julius S. Cutler, A. N. Cutler, C. E. Tankard, Jesse Braddy, James H. Alligood, John W. Alligood, James H. Braddy, Bartemus Cutler.

St Stephen's Mission, Bethel.

St. Thomas Mission, Craven County.

St. Paul's, Clinton.

J. A. Ferrell*, A. Holmes, R. H. Holliday, W. G. Hubbard,

St. Paul's, Edenton.

W. B. Shepard,H. H. Page,Frank Wood,William J. Leary, Jr.,

J. R. McCurdy,
L. F. Ziegler,
J. G. Wood,
Thomas Thompson.

St. John Evangelist, Edenton.

Christ Church, Elizabeth City.

St. Gabriels, Faison.

St. John's, Fayetteville.

S. J. Hinsdale, Charles Haigh, F. R. Rose*, T. D. Haigh, Joseph C. McRae*, R. P. Buxton, B. R. Huske*, H. I. Marsh.

St. Joseph's, Fayetteville.

J. S. Leary, F. P. Williston, Isaac B. Hall, G. H. Williams, A. H. Dunn,
W. B. Barge,
D. Buxton,
F. P. Terry.

Parishes, Missions, Delegates and Alternates.

St. Mary's, Gatesville.

T. H. Lassiter, R. M. Riddick, J. J. Gatling,

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R. B. G. Cowper, A. R. Roberts, John Brady.

St. Stephen's, Goldsboro.

B. M. Privett, W. N. Barnes, Dr. Thomas Hill, George C. Boyall,

Thomas B, Hill, Dr, D. Cogdell, Col. George Collier, Col. I. F. Dortch.

St. Paul's, Greenville.

R. R. Cotten,*
W. B. Brown,*
Zeon Brown, M. D.,
Harry Skinner,

Charles Skinner,
J. F. Joyner,
Henry Harding,
W. M. B. Brown, M. D.

St. Martin's, Hamilton.

Dr. B. L. Long, J. H. Martin, Dr. H J. Clark, J. W. Banks, T. E. Darden, N. H. Sebrell.

Holy Trinity, Hertford.

James L. Skinner, C. W. Wood, Joseph G. Granbery, Dr. J. T. Smith, F. Picard,
William Nixon,
Henry Gilliam,
Dr. William H. Riddick.

St. George's, Hyde County.

Edward Clark, M. D., S. T. Gaskins, William P. Midyett, Joseph C. McCland. H. S. Gibbs, Alex. McJones, A. B. Tunnell,

Swan Quarter, Hyde County.

Fairfield Mission, Hyde County.

Jamesville Mission.

St. Mary's, Kinston.

S. H. Abbott,
D. F. Wooten,*
L. A. Mewborn,
J. P. Tucker,

G. E. Miller, E. J. Brooks, John Simpkins, Charles Phillips.

Parishes, Missions, Delegates and Alternates.

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Holy Innocents, Lenoir County.

N. B. Whitfield,
D. S. Davis,
A. W. Whitfield,
C. Turner,
W. A. Jones,
J. K. Whitfield,
Oscar Hardy,
J. C. Whitfield.

St. John's, Makelyville.

William C. Whitfield, M. D., F. C. Barber, Jones Wahab, A. J. Tooley.

St. Barnabas, Murfreesboro.

Maxton Mission.

Christ Church, Newbern

John Hughes,*

George H. Roberts,*

John Dunn,*

H. R. Bryan,

E. K. Bishop,*

R. Ranson,

R. H. Hilton,

E. B. Roberts.

St. Cyprian's, Newbern.

H. W. Thompson,*

A. F. Moore,

J. B. Brown,*

A. A. Bryan,*

C. E. Palmer,

H. P. Kenedy,

J. H. Fisher,

H. H. Gaston, Jr.

New Begun Creek Mission.

St. John's, Pitt County.

W. S. Wooten,
J. T. Worthington,
J. L. Tucker,
W. J. H. Laughinghouse
G. F. Smith,
J. E. May,
Fred Harding,
W. H. Tripp.

Marlboro Mission, Pitt County.

Grace Church, Plymouth.

I. L. Fagan,
Thomas H. Armistead,*
W. H. Ward,
T. O, Vail.

Christ Church, Rockfish.

G. C. Biggs,
N. G. Biggs,
C. M. Adams,
T. Hamilton,
N. W. Adams,
Thomas Powell,
Mark Morgan,
P. H. Biggs.

Roxobel Mission.

Parishes, Missions, Delegates and Alternates. 1889.1 St. Barnabas. Snow Hill. John Harvey,* St. Phillip's, Southport. South Mills Mission. Grace Church, Trenton. E. M. Foscue, Dr. C. B. Woodley, T. A. Smith. E. R. Page. Tunis' Mills Mission. St. Peter's, Washington. Edmund S. Hoyt, A. M. Buchannan T. H. B. Myers, W. Z. Morton. H. N. Blount. H. F. Hancock. T. E. Cutler, I. D. Myers, St. David's, Washington County. E. G. Eborn, S. S. Woodley, A. L. Cahoon, L. Hassell. A. G. Walker, A, Armstrong, W. H. Hardison, M. D. T. A. Swain. St. Luke's, Washington County. W. A. Hodges, J. W. Gaylord, Thomas W. Blount, James A Chesson. Church of the Advent, Williamston. Wilson G. Lamb,* Alex. H. Smith. Joseph M. Sitterson, Wheeler Martin. St. James', Wilmington. Dr. A. J. DeRosset,* Dr. George G. Thomas, William Calder.* Dr. Thomas F. Wood, Col. W. L. DeRosset* Dr. F. W. Potter. Col. J. W. Atkinson* Norwood Giles. St. John's, Wilmington. W. H. Green,* Washington Catlett, Gabriel Holmes,* Dr. W. W. Harriss, R. E. Heide,* Berry Gleaves, W. H. Yopp. H. G. Smallbones,*

St. Paul's, Wilmington.

Du Brutz Cutlar,*

R. C. Cantwell,

L. H. Belden.

R. B. Wood,

R. H. Pickett,*

N. B. Rankin,

DeL. Evans,

R. B. Wood,

J. L. Boatwright,

Parishes, Missions, Delegates and Alternates.

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St. Mark's, Wilmington.

Alfred Howe,

James H. Lane,

J. O. Nixon,*

S. Thomas, Windsor.

E. W. Gray,

L. S. Webb,

L. A. Grant

L. B. Gray

J. A. Grant,
J. B. Gray,
J. J. Jacocks,
B. H. Swain,
D. C. Winston,
F. D. Winston,

St. John's, Winton,

R. H. Saunders, G. H. Rogers, S. S. Daniel, W. L. Daniel, T. H. Debnam.

Grace Church, Woodville.

John Brette, J. S. Griffin.

St. Paul's, Vanceboro.

Scale of Assessments,

FOR THE CURRENT YEAR UPON THE PARISHES, MISSIONS AND CONGREGATIONS OF THE DIOCESE.

Aurora\$	15 00	St. Barnabas', Murfreesboro\$ 5 00
Avoca	10 00	Newbegun Creek Mission 5 00
St. Thomas', Bath	15 00	Christ Church, Newbern 225 00
Bayboro Mission	5 00	St. Cyprian's, Newbern 10 00
St. Paul's, Beaufort	30 00	Marlboro Mission, Pitt Co 5 00
St. James', Beaufort Co	12 00	S. John's, Pitt Co 30 00
S. John's. " "	15 00	Grace, Plymouth 20 00
S. John's, ""	40 00	Christ Church, Rockfish 25 00
Zion. " "	20 00	Roxobel Mission 5 00
Grace, Bertie Co	40 00	St. David's, Scuppernong 40 00
St. Paul's, Clinton	30 00	Maxton Mission 5 00
St. Paul's, Edenton	75 00	St. Phillip's, Smithville 10 00
St. John Evangelist, Edenton	5 00	St. Barnabas', Snow Hill 5 00
Christ Church, E. City	75 00	South Mills Mission 10 00
Fairfield Mission	10 00	Swan Quarter, Hyde Co 5 00
Faison Mission	00 01	Grace Mission, Trenton 10 00
G	200 00	Tunis Mills Mission 5 00
St. Joseph's, "	15 00	St. Paul's, Vanceboro 5 00
St. Mary's, Gatesville	15 00	St. Peter's, Washington 100 00
St Peter's Mission, Gates Co.	10 00	St. Luke's, Washington Co 10 00
St. Stephen's, Goldsboro	50 DO	Advent, Williamston 20 00
St. Paul's, Greenville	30 00	St James' Wilmington 450 00
St. Martin's, Hamilton	15 00	St. Paul's, " 100 00 St. John's, " 110 00 St. Mark's, " 20 00
Haw Branch Mission	2 00	St John's
Holy Trinity, Hertford		St. Mark's " 20.00
St Coorge's Hyde Co	50 00	
St. George's, Hyde Co	30 00	
St. Mary's, Kinston	25 00	St. John's, Winton 3 00
Holy Innocents, Lenoir Co	15 00	\$2.152.0D
St. John's, Makelyville	10 00	\$2,152 00

The foregoing scale is only recommendatory in so far as applicable to Mission Stations.

NOTE.—The assessment on individual communicants of twenty-five cents each was continued for the current year.

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Proceedings of the Conneil of 1889.

FIRST DAY.

DIOCESE OF EAST CAROLINA,
St. James' Church, Wilmington, N. C.,
May 22d, 1889.

The Sixth Annual Council of the Protestant Episcopal Church, in the Diocese of East Carolina, assembled in St. James' Church at 10 a. m.

The Rt. Rev. the Bishop of the Diocese read the Litany and called the Council to order.

The Secretary called the roll and the following Clergymen answered to their names.

The Rt. Rev. Alfred A. Watson, D. D.,

The Rev. Chas. L. Arnold,

- " Thos. Atkinson,
- " James Carmichael, D. D.,
- " P. W. Cassey,
- " Chas. T. Coerr,

9.]		Opening Service.
	"	Robt. B. Drane,
"	4.6	Luther Eborn,
6.6	"	Israel Harding,
6.6	"	Nathaniel Harding,
"	"	Thos. B. Haughton,
	6.6	James M. Hillyar,
66	4.6	N. C. Hughes, D. D.,
6.6	4.4	Jos. C. Huske, D. D.,
6.6	6.6	W. L. Mellichampe,
4.6	6.6	N. E. Price,
4.6	66	V. W. Shields,
	6.6	F. N. Skinner,
6.6		Robert Strange,
"		Jas. W. Turner.

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The roll of Delegates who had presented certificates of election, was then called, and the following answered to their names:

George O. Gaylord, Henry Wingate, F. P. Williston, R. R. Cotten, W. B. Brown, D. F. Wooten, John Hughes, Geo. H. Roberts, John Dunn, E. K. Bishop, H. W. Thompson, I. B. Brown, Thos. S. Armistead, Wilson G. Lamb, Dr. A. J. DeRosset, Col. W. L. DeRosset. Col. J. W. Atkinson, W. H. Green, Gabriel Holmes, R. E. Heide, H. G. Smallbones, R. H. Pickett.

A quorum being present, on motion the Council took a recess for the purpose of holding Divine Service.

Morning Prayer was said by the Rev. R. B. Drane and the Rev. N. Harding. The Ante Communion service was read by the Rt. Rev. the Bishop, the Epistle being read by the Rev. Dr. Hughes, and the Gospel by the Rev. Dr. Huske. The sermon was preached by the Rev. Thomas Atkinson from St. John's Gospel, 18th Chap. 37th Verse.

The offerings of the congregation were received for the Society for the increase of the Ministry.

The Holy Communion was administered by the Bishop assisted by the Rev. Drs. Huske and Hughes and the Rev. Mr. Shields.

After Divine Service the Council re-assembled, the Bishop in the Chair.

Rev. Dr. Huske nominated Rev. Dr. Hughes for President of the Council. On motion the ballot was dispensed with and he was unanimously elected.

The Rev. N. Harding was nominated for Secretary. On motion the ballot was dispensed with and he was unanimously elected.

At the request of the Secretary the Rev. F. N. Skinner was appointed as his assistant.

W. H. Green moved that visiting Clergymen from other Dioceses, and Clergy from this Diocese but not entitled to seats be invited to honorary seats in this Council. Carried.

The Bishop appointed the following Committees.

COMMITTEE ON ELECTIONS.

Rev. R. B. Drane,

Du Brutz Cutler, R. R. Cotten.

COMMITTEES ON NEW PARISHES.

Rev. F. N. Skinner,

R. C. Cantwell,

W. B. Brown.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS.

Rev. Luther Eborn,

John Dunn,

Henry Wingate.

STATE OF THE CHURCH.

Rev. Dr. Carmichael,

W. L. DeRosset,

Rev. C. L. Arnold,

Wilson G. Lamb.

Rev. I. Harding,

Rev. Dr. Huske presented and read the following report of

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Report of the Committee on Canons.

the Committee on Canons and the appended resolution was adopted.

Report of the Committee on Canons to the Council of 1889:

The Committee on Canons, to whom were referred the resolution offered by the Rev. N. C. Hughes, D. D., and the substitute proposed by Rev. N. C. Hughes, Jr., (printed on page 34 of the Journal of 1888) on the subject of appropriations from the Fund for Relief of Disabled Clergymen and Widows and Orphans of Deceased Clergymen, respectfully report:

While the Committee repeat their objection to the limitation of the use of the fund in all cases in which the disabled or deceased Clergyman has not been, for at least three years prior to such disability or decease, regularly engaged in the Ministerial work of the Diocese, they are decidedly of the opinion that some limitation, such as is proposed in the substitute of Rev. N. C. Hughes, Jr., ought to govern appropriations from the Fund in question so that no disabled clergyman or the family of any deceased clergyman who shall (previously to his disability or disease) have voluntarily withdrawn from the service of the Church within the Diocese, shall participate in the benefit of the said fund, reserving, however to the Council the power of ordering otherwise in any case in which they may think proper to waive the proposed limitation.

The Committee take the opportunity of expressing its opinion that a similar rule should apply also to appropriations from the Fund for the Education of Children of deceased Clergymen of the Diocese, as to which no action has been proposed; and they recommend the adoption of the following resolution providing for an amendment of the Canon on the subject under discussion, viz:

Resolved, That Canon XXI be amended by inserting the following at the end of Section 2:

- "Provided that, without the special action of the Council, no appropriation from either of these Funds shall be made to any disabled Clergyman
- "or to a widow or orphan of any deceased Clergyman, who was not regu-,
- "larly engaged in Ministerial work within the Diocese at the time immedi-
- "ately preceding the occurrence of his disability or decease."

The Bishop appointed the following

COMMITTEE ON CANONS:

Rev. Jos. C. Huske, D. D., Dr. A. J. DeRosset, Rev. James M. Hillyar, Major John Hughes, Rev. VanWinder Shields.

The Treasurer presented his report. Appendix B.

Report of Committee on Finance.

May

Rev. Dr. Hughes presented and read the following report of the Committee on Finance:

The Finance Committee respectfully report that they have examined the securities in the hands of the Treasurer; the balance of cash on hand as shown by his bank book, and his vouches for disbursements, and find the same correct and in accordance with his printed report.

N. COLLIN HUGHES, Chairman.

The Treasurer submitted the following additional report, which was referred to the Committee on Finance:

To the Council of the Diocese of East Carolina:

The undersigned begs leave to report that, since the close of his Annual Accounts for the past fiscal year, he has received from the Hon, Kemp P. Battle, Executor of the late Miss Mary Ruffin Smith, in part payment of the share in her estate, to which it has been recently determined that this D'ocese is entitled, as follows;

North Carolina State 4 per cent. bonds of the par value of \$3,400; costing \$3,162, and \$1,000 in cash. Also the sum of \$68, collected for the January '89, coupons of said bonds, and \$241.25 on account of rent of lands of the said estate.

The appropriation of this important addition to the assets of the Diocese, together with other amounts to be hereafter received from the same source, awaits the action of the Council.

Respectfully submitted,

A. J. DEROSSET, Treasurer.

WILMINGTON, N. C., May 22, 1889

Col. W. L. DeRosset offered the following preamble and resoltion:

This Council having been informally notified of the appointment of a committee, by the Convention of the Diocese of North Carolina, to lay before this Council certain matters of interest.

Resolved, That all questions submitted by said committee relating to finances be referred to the Finance Committee; all other matters which may be likewise submitted be referred to the Committee on the State of the Church. Adopted.

Col. DeRosset moved that the hours of meeting be from 10 to 1 in the morning and from 4 to 7 in the afternoon. Carried.

Council adjourned to 4 P. M.

Report of the Trustees of the Diocese.

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Wednesday, 4 p. m.

The Council reassembled, the Bishop in the chair.

Col. J. W. Atkinson presented and read the following report of the Trustees of the Diocese:

The Trustees of the Diocese of East Carolina respectfully report:

That the Committees appointed by the two Dioceses of North and East Carolina in the matter of the will of Miss Mary Ruffin Smith, deceased, having met and conferred upon the subject, and finding that each committee maintained unyieldingly the claims of its own Diocese, came to the conclusion that the best course or procedure was to institute an amicable suit in the shape of a controversy without action before the courts of the State in order to the determination of their respective rights.

This was accordingly done. The suit was argued before Judge Graves of the Superior Court, the Trustees of the Diocese of East Carolina being plaintiffs, and the Trustees of the Diocese of North Carolina defendants. The decision of the court was in favor of the plaintiffs. An appeal having been taken to the Supreme Court the decision of the lower tribunal was affirmed.

One troublesome subject of dispute was removed by the action of the counsel on the part of the Diocese of North Carolina, who consented that if a decision should be rendered in favor of the Diocese of East Carolina the division of the property should be made on the basis of equality. It was accordingly so determined by the court

The result has been the acquisition by the Diocese of East Carolina of one half of Miss Smith's estate. The exact value of this half cannot yet be ascertained, the property consisting in part of land, which it may be best to sell, and in part of debts due the estate. To simplify the process of transfer by making one signature suffice for the receipts, your Trustees authorized the Treasurer of the Diocese to receive and receipt for any funds which the executor of Miss Smith might be prepared to pay over. About \$4,000 in round numbers has thus far been received.

Your Trustees would recommend, in view of the great difficulty of giving adequate attention to landed property at such a distance, and the expenses of a reliable agency, that in the interest of this Diocese its share of the real estate of Miss Smith be sold as soon as this can be advantageously done

Resolved, That the Trustees of this Diocese shall co-operate with the Trustees of the Diocese of North Carolina in the effort to sell the real estate belonging to the estate of the late Miss Mary R. Smith, in which the two Dioceses are equally interested.

Resolved, That the Trustees of this Diocese be, and they are hereby, empowered and directed, at such time, in such way, and upon such terms as

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they may deem best and most advantageous, to sell and dispose of all the lands and real estate in which this Diocese is interested under the will of the late Miss Mary Ruffin Smith, and the judgment of the Supreme Court of the State. And to that end they are hereby authorized and empowered to employ such agents and attorneys, and to pay them such compensation as they may deem necessary and proper.

ALFRED A. WATSON, GEORGE DAVIS, JOHN WILDER ATKINSON,

The resolutions were adopted.

Col. J. W. Atkinson offered the following resolution, which was adopted:

Resolved, That the thanks of the Diocese of East Carolina are due and are hereby gratefully tendered to the Hon. George Davis, Major John Hughes and Hon. William B. Rodman for their wise legal counsel in the matter of the rights of this Diocese under the will of the late Miss Mary Ruffin Smith. And especially are we under deep obligations to Mr. Davis and Major Hughes for their successful conduct of the suit in the Superior and Supreme Courts of the State in regard thereto.

The Rev. Luther Eborn read the following report of the Committee on Unfinished Business, and the appended resolution was adopted:

The Committee on Unfinished Business beg leave to report that they find on page 24 of Journal of the Council of 1888 the following resolution of Col. W. L. DeRosset, to be referred to the Committee on Canons: "Resolved, That Article VIII, Section I of the Constitution be amended by inserting after the word Diocese "a Chancellor who shall be a member of the legal profession." On page 33 it appears that the Committee on Canons recommended to the Council the adoption of said resolution. No action being taken in the case by the last Council, the committee therefore offer the resolution that this Council take the subject into consideration.

LUTHER EBORN, HENRY WINGATE, JR., JOHN DUNN.

Col. W. L. DeRosset offered the following resolution:

Resolved, That the words "a Chancellor who shall be a member of the legal profession" be inserted in Article VIII, Section I of the Constitution, after the word Diocese in the second line of said section.

Carried unanimously on vote by orders.

Report of the Committee on Electins, Etc.

The Bishop appointed the following Finance Committee:

Rev. N. C. Hughes, D. D., William Calder, Rev. Thomas Atkinson, H. G. Smallbones, George H. Roberts.

On motion of W. H. Green, Mr. J. I. McRee, reporter for the *Churchman*, was invited to a seat at the Secretary's table.

Rev. Robert B. Drane presented the following report of the Committee on Elections, and the appended resolution was adopted:

Report of the Committee on Elections:

In the case of John Harvey, present and claiming to be a delegate, we find not a Canonical Certificate.

From the assurance of the brother himself and an informal certificate of his election, given by the Minister in charge of his Church, your Committee are convinced that he was duly elected. We therefore recommend the following:

Resolved, That John Harvey be recognized as a delegate to this Council from St. Barnabas Mission, Snow Hill, and that his name be entered upon the Roll of Members.

For the Committee.

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ROBERT B. DRANE, R. R. COTTEN.

WILMINGTON, N. C., May 22d, 1889.

Col. J. W. Atkinson presented the following report of the Committee to Report on the Matter of Assessment for the Episcopal and Contingent Fund:

Report of the Committee to Report on the Matter of Assessment for the Episcopal and Contingent Fund:

Your Committee appointed to consider the expediency of levying a uniform annual assessment of one dollar upon each Communicant to provide for the Episcopal and Contingent Expenses of the Diocese, respectfully report:

After earnest and careful consideration, your committee unanimously recommend to the Council a capitation tax of one dollar per annum upon each Communicant in this Diocese as the surest mode of providing for the Episcopal and Contingent expenses of the Diocese for the ensuing year.

Experience has proven that the arbitrary assessment of parishes always

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fails to raise the amount of money estimated to be necessary to cover the expenses.

Unhappily men are apt to be indifferent about giving to any object not presented to them as of personal obligation, and because of this indifference, rather than from any positive disinclination, many of the members of our communion give nothing to these expenses, while yet abundantly able to do so. Some perchance less zealous for the honor of their Diocese than they should be very willingly leave to others, more sensitive to duty, the payment of their Parish assessment, it not being presented to them, as a matter of personal obligation, in which every member of the Parish is interested

In urging the capitation tax we do not lose sight of the fact that there is great difference in the ability of our Parishes financially, and we admit that this fact would seem to present a strong argument against the mode of uniform taxation recommended by us, but we think this is merely an argument against a high capitation tax.

The objection from this standpoint is removed when we place this tax at one dollar per annum, which is less than two cents per week, and this small sum we are persuaded ninety-nine per cent. of the Communicants of this Church can pay without serious inconvenience.

Because some of our Communicants are very poor, and indeed themselves require aid from their more fortunate brethren, we do not regard such fact as properly exempting them from the operation of this tax. We think that all who "profess and call themselves Christians" should give something towards the cause of Christ, and the advancement of his Church. The poor Widow cast into the Treasury all she had, and was commended by our Blessed Lord, who declared she had given more than they who gave largely of their abundance. Possibly this poor Widow was herself an object of charity, and received aid from those more abundantly provided, but even if so, she was not relieved of the duty of giving of her penury.

"The children of this world are in their generation wiser than the children of light." The State Government lays a small capitation tax on every citizen, whether he be poor or rich, for it seems meet and right that all who enjoy the benefits of good government should pay something for those benefits. We are persuaded no man fully appreciates the blessings he enjoys, in Church or State, if they cost him nothing.

We have among us many secular Beneficial Societies, the members of which are composed of rich and poor, and the poor are in many instances supported in whole or in part by the richer members; and yet, every member of the Society is required to pay the same capitation tax for the maintenance of the Society, and failure to pay, cuts off the delinquent from the benefits of the organization.

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We do not deny that many good reasons may be urged against this personal assessment, but any mode of assessment does bear hardly in particular cases, and we are satisfied the capitation tax now recommended is at least as free from hardship as any other, and is much more likely to be successful than any other. This personal assessment will tend to impress upon each Communicant his own duty to aid in the support of the Episcopate, which we all profess to believe essential to the very being of Christ's Church, and we think will also draw the Laity more closely to the Episcopal office itself.

Your committee recommend the adoption of the following resolutions.

ist, Resolved, That to provide for the Episcopal and Contingent Expenses of the Diocese, for the ensuing Conciliar year, a tax of one dollar per capita shall be levied on each Communicant in this Diocese, to be paid quarterly in sums of twenty-five cents each.

2d. Resolved, That each Rector of a Parish, or Minister in charge of a Mission Station, shall assign to some suitable member of his Parish or Mission the duty of collecting this quarterly assessment, which when collected, said Rector or Minister in charge shall promptly remit to the Treasurer of the Diocese.

3d. Resolved, That each Parish and Mission Station shall be charged by the Treasurer of the Diocese, as its quota toward providing for the Episcopal and Contingent Expenses for the ensuing year, one dollar per capita for every Communicant reported to this Council as of such Parish or Mission Station, and such Parish or Mission Station shall be credited with remittances made as provided for in resolution No. 2.

4th. Resolved, That no Parish or Mission Station shall be entitled to Lay representation in the Diocesan Council, unless previously to the assembling of such Council the full capitation tax above provided for shall have been paid to the Treasurer of the Diocese, provided the Council may by a vote of two-thirds majority, suspend the operation of this Resolution, upon application of such delinquent Parish or Mission Station.

> I. W. ATKINSON. W. L. DEROSSET. H. G. SMALLBONES,

The appended resolutions were referred to the Committee on Finance with the request that they report upon the same on Friday morning, and that their report be made the order of the day at 10 A. M.

On motion the Council adjourned.

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SECOND DAY.

THURSDAY, May 23d, 10 A. M.

The Bishop called the Council to order.

The Secretary called the roll, and the following not present yesterday answered to their names:

James C. McRae, F. R. Rose, B. R. Huske, J. O. Nixon, Charles Mallette, John Harvey, W. H. Yopp.

The minutes of yesterday's session were read and approved.

On motion of Rev. Dr. Carmichael, S. S. Nash, Commissioner from the Diocese of North Carolina, was invited to an honorary seat.

Rev. Dr. Carmichael moved that S. S. Nash be invited to address the Council immediately after the reading of the Bishop's address. Carried.

The Bishop read his address (see Appendix A.)

Dr. DeRosset moved that the Bishop's address be referred to the Committee on the State of the Church, and that so much of it as relates to the will of Miss Mary Ruffin Smith be referred to the Committee on Finance. Carried.

Rev. Dr. Carmichael moved that that portion of the Bishop's address relating to the payment of expenses of one Lay Deputy to the General Convention be referred to the Committee on Canons. Carried.

S. S. Nash, Commissioner from the Diocese of North Carolina, addressed the Council, asking an appropriation from the legacy of Miss Mary R. Smith for the Parish at Chapel Hill, and read the following report of the action of that Diocese.

The Committee to whom was referred the resolutions of Rev. J. B. Cheshire concerning the proposed celebration of the Centennial of the First Convention of Churchmen in North Carolina and the appointment of a Committee for arranging the celebration;

Centennial Celebration Report of the Standing Committee.

Respectfully report that they approve of such celebration and of the appointment of a Committee of seven to make the proper arrangements for carrying it into effect

J. Buxton.

Mr. Cheshire's resolutions:

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WHEREAS, The first attempt to organize the Church in North Carolina was by a convention held in Tarboro in the year 1790.

- 1st Resolved, That the convention of 1890 be held in Calvary Church, Tarboro, on the —— day of May, 1890, and that a Committee be appointed to arrange a proper celebration of the Centennial of the First Convention of Churchmen in North Carolina.
- 2d. Resolved, That the said Committee be instructed to extend an invitation in the name of this Diocese to the Diocese of East Carolina to participate in the celebration and to appoint a committee of arrangements to co-operate with the Committee of this convention.
- 3d. Resolved, That the said Committee be empowered to consult with the Bishop and Convention of East Carolina and to agree upon a day for holding the Convention of 1890; that both the said conventions may meet upon the same day, and the Convention of East Carolina in some place from which, after transacting its regular business, the members can proceed to Tarboro, and that the celebration of said centennial begin Friday of Convention week and conclude with religious services on Sunday.
- 4th. Resolved, That upon such agreement between the committees of the two Dioceses being certified to the Bishop, he is hereby anthorized to call the Convention of the Diecese to meet upon the day agreed upon.
- 5th. Resolved, That the Committee be authorized to make all necessary arrangements for proposed services, addresses, papers, etc., at such celebration; to appoint local committees to co-operate in necessary details, and generally to take steps to secure the becoming commemoration of this interesting event.
- Col. J. W. Atkinson offered resolution appended to report of Trustees, read yesterday. Carried.
- Rev. Dr. Huske read the report of the Standing Com-

Report of Standing Committee for the year 1888-89.

The Standing Committee respectfully report their transactions for the past year as follows:

At Fayetteville, in St John's Church, May 24, 1888, the Committee organized by the election of Rev. J. C. Huske, D. D., as President, and A. J. DeRosset, as Secretary.

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Testimonials were signed, recommending Mr. F. N. Skinner for admission to the Order of Deacons.

Consent was given to the ordination of Mr. W. L. Mellichampe within one year from the time of his admission as a candidate for Deacon's Orders.

At Wilmington, June 28, 1888, the Canonical testimonial was signed recommending Mr. Mellichampe to the Bishop for ordination as Deacon.

Consent was given to the consecration of Rev. George McClellan Fiske as Bishop of the Diocese of Fond du Lac.

The Committee unanimously approved of a schedule proposed by the Bishop for the disbursement of the appropriation of \$800 within this Diocese, received from the Board of Managers of the Domestic and Foreign Missionary Society, in accordance with Title III, Canon VII, Sec. I, Article 6, of the Digest.

At Wilmington, December 5, 1888, the Canonical testimonial was signed, recommending Mr. W. J. Herritage for admission to the Order of Deacons after the lapse of one year from the date of his admission as a candidate.

Consent was given and the testimonial signed for the ordination to the Priesthood of the Rev. Fred N. Skinner, after the lapse of six months from the date of his ordination to the Diaconate.

Consent was given to the consecration of the following Bishops elect, viz: Rev. Leighton Coleman, S. T. D., as Bishop of the Diocese of Delaware; Rev. Boyd Vincent, as assistant Bishop of the Diocese of Southern Ohio; Rev. J. Mills Kendrick, D. D., as Missionary Bishop in the jurisdiction of New Mexico and Arizona.

At Wilmington, February 6, 1889, consent was given to the consecration of the following Bishops elect, viz: Rev. Charles Chapman Grafton for the Diocese of Fond du Lac; Rev. Cyrus Fred. Knight, D. D., D. C. L., for the Diocese of Milwaukee.

J. C. HUSKE.

Rev. Robert B. Drane presented and read the report of the Church Building Committee.

Report of the Church Building Committee:

Since last report the Church Building Committee has appropriated for a Mission Chapel in Cumberland county, \$25; for St. Thomas', Craven county, \$25; for St. Paul's, Vanceboro, \$25. This leaves a balance in hand of \$4,12.

It is remarkable that the contributions to this Fund have been about equalled by those reported from this Diocese to the American Church Building Fund.

Now, to give to the latter is optional, to give to the former is by the law required, since Canon XX makes it the duty of every Clergyman to call on the Parishes and Missions under his charge for contributions (by collection

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or otherwise) to this Fund. Is a church at liberty to give to the American Fund without attending to the Diocesan?

"Charity begins at home." In this case it is the *law* of love which would lead us to help our Diocesan Church Building Fund.

A. A. WATSON,
T. B HAUGHTON,
WILSON G. LAMB,
ROBERT B. DRANE.

On motion of Rev. Robert Strange, the report was recommitted to the Committee for modifications.

Dr. DeRosset read the following Trustee's Report of the University of the South for 1889 to the Council of East Carolina, which was on motion referred to the Trustees of the University of the South for this Diocese:

Trustees' Report of the University of the South for 1889, for the Diocese of East Carolina.

During the past year the work of the University has been eminently successful, considering the circumstances under which it has been conducted.

The fact cannot be too often repeated to the various Dioceses from which the University draws its principal patronage, and to which its looks principally for support, that no institution of higher learning can be permanently conducted without endowment. The question is often asked why the Grammar Schools of our Church are so successful, and why our Colleges and Universities seem to drag out a miserable existence.

The answer is simple It is, that the Preparatory Schools are more than self-supporting, while Colleges, apart from endowment or State subsidy, cannot possibly support themselves.

The support of the University of the South so far has been from the surplus of its very flourishing Grammar School Department But this state of affairs cannot last much longer. There is even now a crying need for decent buildings to house our students for educational and spiritual purposes. We sorely need better class-rooms and better chapel accommodations.

A step is being taken in this direction through the agency of Mr. Silas McBee, under the order of the Board of Trustees at its meeting in August. 1888. Mr. McBee, it is understood, has subscriptions looking towards permanent endowment of the University to the amount of about fifty thousand dollars, but this is scarcely the beginning of the endowment that is actually needed to make a complete success of this valuable institution. The effort in this direction should not begin to cease until a quarter of a million of dollars has not only been subscribed, but has been actually collected.

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THEOLOGICAL DEPARTMENT.

In lieu of a vested endowment for the support of the Theological Department, the various Dioceses interested in the work at Sewanee have undertaken to subscribe enough each year to support this Department. The Theological Department submits a statement of receipts up to date, and respectfully requests the Council to carefully consider the same. As little interest has been manifested by many Parishes and some Dioceses in the matter of the support of the Theological Department, the present plan of support has nevertheless proved itself an entirely practicable one. The Professors have never received the full amount of salaries promised them, but they have succeeded in living upon what they have received, and they feel that all that is required to enable them to do so with less anxiety and more comfort is only that what is being done should be done with a little more certainty and regularity. We have the right to ask that the Church shall assure itself whether the Department is not faithfully and loyally discharging the trusts committed to it; and if it is doing so, then that the obligation to support it shall be remembered and met. No very great increase of even the present interest and efforts in its behalf is needed to very materially lighten its difficulties and increase its efficiency; and we pray the Council and the individual members of it to exert themselves to that end.

Receipts from the Diocese of East Carolina to date		. 0
Amount of assessment of the Diocese of East Carolina	300	00
of all the Dioceses	5,000	00
Mrs. R. B. Windley, Bunyan	I	00
Grace Parish, Bertie county	6	00
Hamilton	7	40
Edenton	18	65
S. James, Wilmington	25	00
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The Bishop read a letter from the Rev. Walter J. Smith inviting the Council to meet next year in St. Martin's Parish, Hamilton, which was referred to the Committee on the State of the Church.

The Rev. V. W. Shields offered the following resolution, which was, on motion, referred to the Committee on Canons:

Resolved, That Canon IX be amended by the addition of a section to read as follows. "Section 4. In case of the absence of all the members

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from this Diocese at any annual meeting of the Board of Trustees of the University of the South, the Bishop may appoint any Clergyman or Layman of this Diocese who may be present to represent this Diocese temporarily during such meeting."

The Rev. R. B. Drane presented a modified report of the Church Building Committe.

Report of the Church Building Committee:

Since last report the Church Building Committee has appropriated for a Mission Chapel in Cumberland county, \$25; for St. Thomas', Craven county. \$25; for St. Paul's, Vanceboro, \$25. This leaves a balance in hand of \$4.12.

A. A. WATSON, T. B. HAUGHTON, WILSON G. LAMB, ROBERT B. DRANE.

William H. Green nominated Dr. A. J. DeRosset for Treasurer.

On motion, the ballot was dispensed with, and he was unanimously elected.

On motion, the Council adjourned to 4 P. M.

THURSDAY, 4 P. M.

The Council reassembled, the Bishop in the chair.

R. R. Cotten invited the Council to hold its next session in St. Paul's Parish, Greenville.

On motion of Thos. S. Armistead, the invitation was accepted.

The Rev. Dr. Carmichael presented and read the following subsidiary report of the Committee on the State of the Church, and the appended resolutions were adopted by a rising vote.

Your committee, to whom was referred the action of the Convention of the Diocese of North Caroliua in regard to a centennial celebration of the first Convention of Churchmen ever held in this State conveyed to this Council by their commissioner, S. S. Nash, Esq., duly appreciating the motives which iniated the movement, and cordially responding to the fra-

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ternal courtesy embodied in the overture, respectfully submit the following resolutions:

- ist. Resolved, That the Diocesan Council of East Carolina cheerfully accept the invitation of the Diocesan Convention of North Carolina to unite with them in the Centennial services to be held in Calvary Church Tarboro.
- 2d, Resolved. That to facilitate the attendance of the Council of this Diocese the 14th day of May, 1890, be fixed as the day of our next annual meeting, and that Greenville be the place.
- 3d. Resolved, That a committee of four Presbyters and five Layman be appointed by the Bishop to assist in making all necessary arrangements for the centennial celebration—co-operating with a similar committee appointed by the Diocese of North Carolina.

Further Resolved, That the Secretary of this Council be instructed to furnish a certified copy of these resolutions to S. S. Nash Esq., Commissioner of the Diocese of North Carolina.

Col. W. L. DeRosset offered the following resolution, which was adopted:

Resolved, That the Executive Missionary Committee be instructed to consider fully the method of raising funds for Diocesan Missions and report their conclusions to the next Council, accompanied by a Canon covering the same.

Carried.

Col. W. L. DeRosset offered the following resolution:

Resolved, That Rule of Order No. XIV, be amended by inserting in the first line, after the word delegates, the words "in attendance upon the Council."

Carried.

Rev. Dr. Hughes presented the following report of the Committee on Finance, and the appended resolutions were adopted:

The Committee on Finance have conferred with the representative from the Diocese of North Carolina in regard to the resolutions of that Diocese, asking this Council to appropriate money in aid of the support of a Rector for the Church at Chapel Hill, and respectfully report that, while fully impressed with the importance of the work at that point, and sure that this Diocese would gladly aid in its maintenance if our own needs were less imperative than they are, or were more fully provided for, they do not think any obligation to do so rests upon us, as we find, upon examining the will of the late Miss Mary R. Smith that she left a certain amount of

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property in fee to the Wardens and Vestry of the Chapel of the Cross at Chapel Hill, and that therefore, it would seem that she had in that bequest provided what she thought was proper for that purpose, and intended the remainder of her bequest to be used in extending the work of the Church in the whole State.

We, therefore, recommend the adoption of the following:

Resolved, That this Diocese respectfully declines to accede to the request of the Diocese of North Carolina to make an annual appropriation for the support of a Rector at Chapel Hill.

Resolved, That the Secretary of the Council be instructed to furnish a copy of this report to the representative from North Carolina.

N. C. HUGHES.

The Rev. Dr. Hughes presented the following report from the Committee on Finance, and the appended resolution was adopted:

The Finance Committee respectfully report that they have had under consideration the special report of the Treasurer which was referred to them and have unanimously agreed to recommend to the Council for its adoption the following resolution:

Resolved, That the securities and monies received from the legacy of Miss Mary Ruffin Smith, and such sums as may hereafter be received from the same source be applied to the increase of the Permanent Episcopal Fund.

N. COLLIN HUGHES,

Chairman.

Mr. R. H. Pickett, on the part of the Parishes of St. James', St. John's and St. Paul's, extended an invitation to the Council to visit Carolina Beach at any time the Council may desire.

On motion, the invitation was accepted for Saturday afternoon at 3 o'clock.

The Chair appointed the following Committee to confer with the Committee for North Carolina as to the joint meeting in 1890.

Rev. Dr. Hughes,

Rev. R. B. Drane,

Rev. Robert Strange,

Rev. N. Harding,

Col W. L. DeRosset,

F. R. Rose,

Wilson G. Lamb,

Col. J. W. Atkinson,

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On motion, Henry Wingate was excused from further attendance.

On motion of William Calder, the Council went into the election of Deputies to the General Convention.

The Chair appointed Rev. N. E. Price and the Rev. W. L. Mellichampe as tellers for the Clerical vote, and Thomas S. Armistead and F. R. Rose as tellers for the Lay vote.

The tellers reported the following, Deputies to the General Convention, elected:

PRIMARY.

CLERICAL.

Rev. Jos. C. Huske, D. D., Rev. Nathaniel Harding, Rev. Van Winder Shields,

LAY DEPUTIES.

Major John Hughes, Col Dr. A. J. DeRosset, Col

Col. A. M. Waddell, Col. J. W. Atkinson.

SUPPLEMENTARY.

CLERICAL.

Rev. Jas. Carmichael, D. D., Rev. Robert B. Drane, Rev. Israel Harding, Rev. Robert Strange.

LAV.

James C. McRae, R. R. Cotten, Wilson G. Lamb, William Calder.

On motion, the Council adjourned till to-morrow morning.

FRIDAY MORNING, May 24th, 10 A. M.

The Council reassembled, the Bishop in the chair. On motion, the roll call was dispensed with.

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The minutes of yesterday's session were read and approved.

The Bishop read the report from the Diocesan Commissioner of the American Church Building Fund, which was ordered to be placed on the minutes.

Report from the Diocesan Commisssoner of the American Church Building Fund:

The American Church Building Fund has, during the year just past, received contributions from the following of our churches: St. John's, Makeleyville; Grace, Woodville; St. Thomas', Windsor; St. James', Wilmington; St. Paul's, Edenton; Trinity, Beaufort county; St. Paul's, Greenville; amounting to \$53.65.

But I am not sure that this is all. Gifts should be plainly marked as from East Carolina.

On January 1st, 1889, the Fund had reached \$165,000, and its good work of helping to build churches by loans and by gifts had been still further blessed.

It is commended to us by the Church, and it deserves our support both from the worthiness of the idea and from its good work in our midst.

Respectfully,

ROBERT B. DRANE.

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Diocesan Commissioner.

Special order of the day was on motion suspended.

Rev. Dr. Huske read the following report from the Committee on Canons, and the appended resolution was adopted.

The Committee on Canons to whom was referred that portion of the Bishop's Address which suggests that provision be made for the expenses of at least one Lay Deputy to the General Convention, respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, that it is not expedient to amend the Canon relating to that subject at the present time.

They also report that they have considered the resolution of Rev Mr. Shields referred to them, proposing an amendment of Canon IX and recommend its adoption

Resolved, That Canon IX be amended by the adoption of a section to read as follows: Sec. 4. In case of the absence of all the members from this Diocese at any annual meeting of the Board of Trustees of the University of the South the Bishop may appoint any Clergyman or Layman of this Diocese who may be present, to represent this Diocese temporarily during such meeting.

Major Hughes made an informal report as to the settlement of the legacy of Miss Mary Ruffin Smith.

Rev. Dr. Carmichael moved to make the report of the Committee on the Prayer Book the special order of the day immediately after the action on the report of the Finance Committee. Carried.

Col. Atkinson moved that the Committee on the North Carolina Scholarship in the General Theological Seminary be continued. Carried.

William Calder read the report of the Committee on Finance as follows:

Report of the Committee on Finance:

The Committee on Finance respectfully report that they have examined the tabular statement of the Treasurer, showing amounts received from Parishes and Mission Stations from April 1st, 1888, to April 30th, 1889, and find there some very suggestive facts which the Council would do well to carefully consider.

It should be borne in mind that owing to the change in our fiscal year the report covers a period of thirteen months, as compared with twelve months in previous reports

Notwithstanding this the amounts contributed to the various funds show a falling off from those reported to the last Council in some very important particulars.

To Diocesan Missions \$548, against \$604 last year; to Relief Fund \$182, against \$157 last year; to Students' Aid Fund \$118, against \$61 last year; to Church Building Fund \$72, against \$54 last year.

It has for several years past been the unpleasant duty of this Committee to remind the Clergy that they are required by Canon to cause either quarterly or annual contribution to be made to each of these funds, and yet, of the forty parishes, we find only fifteen contributed to all, while fifteen contributed to some, and ten gave nothing to any of them.

The collections by the Bishop for Diocesan Missions were only \$207 against \$473 last year, and this deficit, added to that reported above, represents a loss to the fund of about \$325 for the twelve months, a lamentable result, to which we would call the earnest attention of the Council with a view to devising some means to repair this serious loss to a fund upon which our self-denying and already unduly stinted clergy are largely dependent. At the last Council there was a balance of \$557 in hand available for immediate use, while now we have only \$191. Of the total amount contributed

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to this fund one parish, representing 390 communicants, gave over one half Whether the remaining 3,000 communicants in this Diocese have done what they could we leave to your judgment and their consciences.

It is gratifying to state that the payments on account of the annual assesments is almost exactly the amount due in the aggregate, only two parishes and those very feeble ones, having failed to pay anything and that the amount of arrears has been reduced from \$960 to \$775.

The collections on account of the special assessment of 25 cents on each communicant has decreased from \$281 to \$206. If the Council sees proper to continue this assessment, which we do not recommend, we suggest that it be made due and payable on the first day of November, and that after that date it should be the duty of the Treasurer to urge its payment until the obligation is conceded.

The Committee have carefully considered the report of the "Committee on the Matter of the Assessment for the Episcopal and Contingent Fund." which was referred to it, and disapprove of the plan suggested by that committee, and recommend that it be not adopted.

They recommend the adoption of the following resolution.

Resolved, That the special assessment of twenty-five cents on each communicant be discontinued.

Resolved. That the scale of assessments on the several Parishes for the current fiscal year be made 20 per cent. higher than the last assessment, and that a like increase be recommended as proper to be paid by the Mission Stations.

We would call attention to the fact that but for the amount realized from the twenty-five cents assessment on each communicant the expenses of the Diocese for the past year would have exceeded its income by nearly \$200, and that next year there will be the extra expenses of attendance on the General Convention and our quota of its expenses, so that we shall need about \$500 more income than we had last year. Even if the addition to our funds from the Smith legacy prove as much as this, which is not probable, we suggest that it should be our policy to allow the Permanent Episcopal Fund to grow surely and steadily so that it may in time afford revenue sufficient to meet all our expenses, and leave the Parishes free from assessments for Diocesan purposes.

For the Committee:

WILLIAM CALDER.

Rev. Robert Strange offered the following amendment to the resolutions offered by the Finance Committee:

That the basis of assessment for the current Episcopal and Contingent Fund be the current contributions for regular parochial purposes, to wit: The Communion alms, the Rector's salary, the parish expenses, as reported

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in tabulated statement in the Journal of the preceeding year. The assessment shall be such a per cent. of said contributions as is necessary to meet such current Episcopal and Contingent expenses of the Diocese.

That the assessment for the present year be 12 per cent.

Col. W. L. DeRosset offered the following as an amendment:

Resolved, That the Finance Committee be instructed to fix the assessment on each Parish and Mission Station, which has paid this year anything for Diocesan expenses (not including arrears), pro rata to the amount so paid, to aggregate not less than twenty-five hundred dollars in addition to the present assessment on such Parishes and Mission Stations as have paid nothing this year.

- Dr. A. J. DeRosset offered resolutions which were ruled out of order by the Chair. Appeal was made from the decision of the Chair and the Chair was sustained.
- Rev. C. L. Arnold moved as a substitute that the present scale of assessment be continued in force for the current year. Carried.

The Council took a recess to 4 P. M.

FRIDAY, 4 P. M.

Council reassembled, the Bishop in the chair.

The order for the day, the report of the Committee on Proposed Changes in the Prayer Book, was called for.

The Rev. V. W. Shields read the report, and the resolutions and memorial appended were adopted.

To the Council of the Diocese of East Carolina;

WILMINGTON, May 23rd 1889.

The Committee appointed by the Council of 1888 to report to this Council on the "Proposed changes in the Prayer Book," respectfully offer the following statements:

The Committee has been partly guided in its conclusions by the growing conviction of Churchmen on the subject that after years of work on the revision, the Prayer Book has not greatly gained in Liturgical Enrinch-

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ment or in any direction save in the liberty and flexibility in the use of its Offices, all sufficiently secured in the change already adopted and proposed to be adopted at the General Convention of 1889, in the eighteen resolutions which are before us.

The Committee would, therefore, recommend to the Council to approve the alterations and additions in the official copy of the "Notification to the Diocese of the Proposed Changes in the Prayer Book," which has been sent to all the Dioceses; and to send a memorial praying the General Comvention to take certain action on the subject for the following reasons:

A—While there are alterations and additions which have not been proposed, which seem to be desirable, the Committee is of the opinion from the past history of legislation on the subject of revision, that no uniform and harmonious treatment of the liturgy and the offices of the Prayer Book can be secured in the present method of legislation. It seems to us utterly impossible to secure intelligent catholic and uniform action in the work of any Liturgical Committee which the General Convention may provide, when the whole subject matter must be dealt with by a popular criticism and vote on the part of those who have not been able to give undivided, intelligent and profound thought to the questions and liturgical merits involved in alterations and additions.

So we are in danger, and have in a measure experienced the evil, in getting into the Prayer Book a little here and there, of not only not getting what the whole Church or individuals want, but of sacrificing the harmony, both in the high literary level and liturgical impressiveness of the Book of Common Prayer, which make it to hold its place as the most wholesome and elevated standard of public worship in the language.

B—Again, while the Committee has had no opportunity of seeing the report of the Committee on Revision, owing to its very recent publication, it understands from reliable sources, that the committee has introduced new matter, not committed to its consideration by the General Convention in the published form "Proposed alterations and additions in the Book of Common Prayer," Schedule B, which was before the General Convention of 1886; and that it has furthermore introduced or altered certain Rubrics, so as to appear to give them direct reference to controverted points, and to indicate a disregard of the general understanding of the Church, so essential to be preserved, that the work of revision was to be entirely free from party legislation and controversial ground.

These indications, together with other considerations suggest that it will be extremely difficult to keep this work of revision open indefinitely, without the danger of its falling a prey to this or that "school of thought," and thus rending from the Prayer Book that Catholic spirit and comprehensive character which, leaving the detail of definition, has made it possible for it to hold its place as the common standard of a Priesthood and peoples of

widely different thought and nationality. And if those results should follow, the Committee believing it would be impossible to prevent the work from finally trenching also on doctrinal and theological ground, for which the Church is not prepared, and on which it was understood at the beginning the work of revision was not to touch.

C—Furthermore, the Committee would earnestly call to the mind of the Council the following resolutions, under the head "Mutual Relations," appended to the Encyclical letter of the Bishops of the Anglican Communion, assembled a Lambeth in 1888, "That, inasmuch as the book of Common Prayer is not the possession of one Diocese or Province, but of all, and that a revision in one portion of the Anglican Communion must, therefore, be extensively felt, this Conference is of opinion that no particular portion of the Church should undertake revision without seriously considering the possible effect of such action on other branches of the Church." This resolution speaks for itself and comes from a quarter which must command our most obedient attention.

Without commenting on the same we would suggest that, if the work of revision is to go on indefinitely, the alterations to be made must be "extensively felt" and eventually so change the features of the Book of Common Prayer as to seriously affect its relationship to the Formularies of other branches of the Church, specially the Book of the Mother Church, from which our own is derived. Feeling therefore the fact, that owing to the tendencies of our National life, conservatism and care may not be among the virtues of future revision; and looking with gratitude to our relationship with the other branches of the Anglican Communion, and the opportunity of its mission toward the future corporate unity of Christians of our Common Race, we feel that the work of revision should not be continued without regard to preserving the just proportion of our Book to the Book of Common Prayer of the Church of England and other branches. The Committee therefore asserts its conviction that blessed fruits would follow if this work of revision should be submitted to a Conference of all the branches of the Anglican Communion looking to an assimilation of the Books of the historic branches and the production of one Book of Common Prayer for the English speaking people throughout the world.

Bearing in mind that while the doctrinal features and proportions of all the Books in question have been and may be preserved essentially the same, the Committee is impressed with the belief that it is the inspiring aspect of a "common use" in liturgical worship, and not doctrinal oneness, which stands for unity in the mind of the mass of man-kind, while on the other hand a Book representing a "common use" for all branches of the Church would have the tendency of preserving doctrinal unity, and of holding together more firmly different schools of theological opinion, having as it would the sauction and authority of the whole Anglican Communion behind

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it. The Committee therefore offer the following resolutions and memorial: Resolved, That the Diocese of East Carolina hereby approves the alterations and additions in the Book of Common Prayer, submitted in the eighteen resolutions incorporated in the "Notification to the Dioceses," sent down by the General Convention.

Resolved, That the Secretary is instructed to communicate this action to the Secretary of the General Convention,

MEMORIAL TO THE GENERAL CONVENTION OF THE PROTES-TANT EPISCOPAL CHURCH.

The Diocese of East Carolina sends Greeting:

The Diocese of East Carolina deprecating the indefinite continuance of the agitation of the subject of the revision of the Book of Common Prayer, without reference to its effects in other branches of the Anglican Communion, would respectfully memorialize the General Convention praying the consideration of the following plea; and the resolution appended to the Encyclical letter of the Bishops assembled at the Lambeth Conference in 1888, under the head "Mutual Relations." towit:

"That inasmuch as the Book of Common Prayer is not the possession of one Diocese or Province, but of all, and that a revision in one portion of the Anglican Communion, must therefore be extensively felt, this Conference is of opinion that no particular portion of the Church should undertake revision without seriously considering the possible effect of such action on other branches of the Church."

Without commenting on the resolution which comes to the Church from so venerable a source on the subject of revision, but bearing in mind the significant suggestion which speaks in it, and believing that in view of the opportunities which present themselves to the Anglican Communion in this age, inestimable benefits would be secured to the great cause of corporate unity by the attainment of a Book of Common Prayer representing common use for the English speaking people throughout the world;—the Diocese of East Carolina would pray the General Convention to take steps towards seeking a conference with the Church of England and other branches of the Anglican Communion, concerning the work of revision, looking to that end.

> V. W. SHIELDS. J. M. HILLYAR, A. J. DEROSSET, N. C. HUGHES.

On motion the Council went into the election of Trustees of the Diocese and the following were elected: Col. J. W. Atkinson,

Hon. George Davis.

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The following were elected the Executive Missionary Committee:

Rev. Chas. L. Arnold, Geo. H. Roberts, H. R. Bryan, E. S. Hovt.

The following were elected the Church Building Committee:

Rev. Robt. B. Drane, Wilson G. Lamb,

Rev. Thos. B. Haughton.

The following were elected the Student's Aid Committee:

Rev. Thos. Atkinson, S. J. Hinsdale,

F. R. Rose.

The Rev. V. W. Shields read the report of the Trustees of University of the South:

To the Council of the Diocese of East Carolina:

The Trustees of the University of the South respectfully submit their annual report, as required by Canon IX, as follows.

The Right Rev. Alexander Gregg, Bishop of Texas, has been elected Chancellor of the University to fill the vacancy in that office caused by the death of the Right Rev. Wm. M. Green, late Bishop of Mississippi.

In the Academic Department of the University your Trustees note with satisfaction a continued improvement—slow and gradual it is true, but still assured, and one accomplished in spite of grave obsticles and many drawbacks. The total number of students in the several schools, as reported in the Calendar for 1888-89 is 295, about the same number as for the year previous; but it is a matter for regret to know that among them, one only is from this Diocese, and but two from that of North Carolina. This would seem to indicate a want of interest in, or knowledge of, the University not sufficiently accounted for by its distance from us, or an alleged inconvenience of access. Our Diocese is entitled to two scholarships at the University within the gift of the Bishop, which carry with them a remission to the appointee of all charges for tuition and fees, but even these appointments, with their great advantages, do not appear to be sought for.

The Academic staff has been increased form time to time as circumstances required and means were provided. Since our last report the chair of English Language and Literature has been filled by the election of Wm. P. Trent, M. A. The course of instruction is complete, its method thorough, and it is administered by a Faculty competent, faithful and fully alive to

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the responsibility incumbent upon them for the Christian culture and the intellectual developement of those intrusted to their care. The sanitary condition of the locality, excellent naturally, is carefully looked after, and the physical well being of the students is promoted in every way. Besides enjoying the advantages of a good gymnasium, the undergraduates are organized into a military corps, and are thoroughly drilled in artillery and infantry tactics and manoeuvres by an officer of the Army detailed for that duty by the United States Government.

The receipts from tuition and fees have steadily increased for several years past, and are now nearly double what they were in 1883, as may be seen by reference to the proceeding of the Board of Trustees. And this is most fortunate; for the current expenses of the University are defrayed almost entirely from this source. It is insufficient, however and there is a floating debt of considerable amount resting on the University, which has shown an increase for some years past notwithstanding the efforts to keep it down and curtail expenses. To make it self-sustaining the University requires, in addition to its present means an endowment of \$50,000. Last year the Alumni Association sent out a Commissioner who, it is said, has obtained \$20,000 of the amount needed, and at their last meeting the Board of Trustees resolved to undertake to secure the remaining \$30,000. Towards the latter sum your Trustees greatly desired to raise at least \$1,000. If not successful in so doing in this Diocese it is their purpose to appeal to friends of Church education in those Dioceses that have no connection with the University, provided this Council does not disapprove of such action. It is not intended to ask the Council to pledge itself in any way to the raising of the amount mentioned, but merely to give its sanction to such proper means of obtaining it as your Trustees may find it necessary to employ.

The Trustees from some of the more remote Dioceses are sometimes unable to attend the annual meeting of the Board at Sewanee, and on this account it often happens that a Diocese is without representation at those meetings. It has been the case as to East Carolina several times. As a means of obviating this, in some measure at least, it is respectfully recommended that in such case the Bishop be authorized to appoint any clergyman or laymen from this Diocese, who may be present at the meeting of the Board, a Trustee pro tem, to represent the Diocese at the meeting then in session. This course is pursued in other Dioceses with good results.

In the Theological Department there are 18 students; none of them from this Diocese. This Department, which is dependent for its maintenance upon the voluntary contributions of the Southern Dioceses, is well equipped and officered and is doing an excellent work in instructing and preparing candidates for the ministry. Provision is made and there are comfortable accommodations for 36 students. No charges are made for room-rent or

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tuition. In aid of this Department, well worthy of its support our Diocese is asked for an annual contribution of \$300, a sum that, so far as can be ascertained, has never yet been realized. The amount contributed last year, according to the report of the Diocesan Treasurer, was \$127.54 of which one-half was from Christ's Church Parish, Newbern, and this year the contributions up to this time are from three Parishes only, and are as follows: From St. Martin's, Hamilton, \$12.09: from St. Paul's, Edenton, \$27.92; and from St. James, Wilmington, \$66, total \$106.01. A former request of your Trustees that an offertory for the Theological Department of the University be made an canonical one has not yet been acted upon, and in view of the many urgent calls upon the Diocese, it is feared that it cannot now be favorably considered. Some means should be devised to meet what is almost an obligation upon us in behalf of a cause worthy of our most energetic efforts.

The attention of the Council is asked to the !following resolution of the Board of Trustees passed at their annual meeting in 1888.

Resolved, "That in order to entitle Clerical and Lay Trustees from the respective Diocese to seats in the Board, there shall be filed with the Secretary of this Board a certifficate from the Secretary of the Diocese, (or by the Ecclesiastical authority of the Diocese,) that such person or persons, have been duly chosen as such Trustee or appointed in the mannor provided for by the Conventions or Councils of such Diocese."

ALFRED A. WATSON, GRAHAM DAVES,

May 1st, 1889.

Trustees.

The Rev. Dr. Carmichael read the report of the Committee on the State of the Church, and the appended resolution was adopted:

The Committee on the State of the Church, in discharge of the canonical requirement "to report to the Council the condition of the Diocese, with such particular statements or such recommendations, as may seem to them desirable," respectfully submit, that they have gathered from the Parochial Reports and the Episcopal address certain salient factors of diocesan life, which they desire to emphasize in the comprehension and memory of the Church in this Diocese, as being extremely fruitful in encouraging significance in one direction, while in the other they suggest food for painful and, we hope, really contrite reflection.

During the conciliar year, covered by the Parochial Reports there have been of baptisms 392, an increase of 53; confirmations 208, a decrease of 24; communicants, number 3,033, an increase of 18; families, number 1,680 an increase of 79, covering an increase of 852 individuals, making the present number 7,846. There are forty-three Sunday-schools, showing an

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increase of five, with 2,428 scholars, which is an augmentation of 226. The Parish schools remain in number five, with a decrease in scholars of 116. The public services number 4,446, an increase of 1,096 over last year, with 727 celebrations of the Holy Communion, which is an increase of 128. This comparative exhibit, of what we may distinctly call indices of spiritual growth, furnishes cause for real thankfulness, demonstrates a very marked activity on the part of the Clergy and is a measurable realization of the Master's promise always to be with His Church along the lines of truly Catholic and Apostolic steadfastness. It surely must be a source of devout gratitude to the loyal and churchly members of this Council, that, amid the depressing, diverting, and damaging assaults upon the "faith once delivered to the saint," the little band of faithful workers in our almost infant Diocese have maintained the integrity of Apostolic order, and the purity of Apostolic teaching, as we have every right to believe is evinced by the statistics just submitted.

From this presentation of Clerical energy and success we turn to those items of diocesan life, which are more strictly material and laical. Upon the Laity naturally devolves the support of the Church and her institutions, and it is certainly true that the amount of this support is to a great extent an exponent of spiritual life. With a grave conviction that the Laity have been sadly wanting in their duty of material provision, we note that the contribution for Parochial purposes, aggregating \$28,058.86, as against \$32,094.57 shows a decrease of \$4,035.71 in comparison with last year, and this diminution is increased in its gravity because nearly four thousand dollars of the current contribution was for the indebtedness and repairings of a very few Churches, indicating a more serious lack of consistent givings for usual parochial maintenance. In the larger Parishes the parochial collections have increased in every case, which clearly points to the solemn truth that the loss is divided among the smaller and more numerous Cures, and consequently works grave hardship to the Ministers in charge. It is therefore obvious to your Committee that the Parishes stronger in means should devise more liberal things for their weaker sisters and we are fortified in this conclusion by the fact that the amount of contributions for Diocesan purposes \$3,541.16 is a decrease of \$58.44 from last year. We note that \$1,537.64 have been given to objects outside of the Diocese, as against \$831.12 last year. A fact to our minds of very doubtful expediency. The Divine injunction, do good unto all men, but especially unto them "that are of the Household of faith," while it undoubtedly enjoins the cultivation of the Catholic spirit, just as surely puts a limitation upon its practical exhibition, giving precedence in its expression to those nearest to us either locally or relatively. While your Committee would in no sense disparage the claims of outside objects of recognized worth and utility, yet they would suggest that a thoughtful discrimination should be exercised in the distri-

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bution of pious offerings, which this year has devoted double the sum to extra Diocesan purposes which has been given to Diocesan Missions. In view of the fact herein presented your Committee respectfully submit the following resolution:

Resolved, That the Bishop of the Diocese is hereby requested in such way as to him may seem best to urge upon every Communicant of the Church within his jurisdiction the imperative duty and crying necessity of more liberal and systematic offerings for Diocesan Missions.

Rev. Dr. Huske moved that the arrears on Christ Church, Rockfish, of \$75, be cancelled, and that the assessment of \$25 upon the Parish be reduced to \$15 for the current year. Carried.

On motion of Col. J. W. Atkinson, the Secretary was instructed to have printed 900 copies of the Journal.

Rev. Robert B. Drane moved that a vote of thanks be extended to the Rectors, Wardens, and Vestries, and congregations of the Parishes in this city and to the citizens of Wilmington for hospitality given this body. Carried.

The minutes were read and approved.

After singing the Gloria in Excelsis, and prayer by the Bishop, the Council adjourned *sine die*.

NATHANIEL HARDING.

F. N. SKINNER,

Secretary.

Assistant Secretary.

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ST. JOHN'S, FAYETTEVILLE.

REV. THOMAS ATKINSON, Rector.

I have also held three services at Red Springs, Robeson county, a point where the Church has, until now been unknown. The congregations have been large and attentive, and the prospect seems quite favorable.

ST. JOHN'S, MAKELYVILLE, HYDE COUNTY.

REV. S. S. BARBER, Deacon in Charge.

My work at all points has been very much hindered during the past Conciliar year, by a protracted illness and a consequent confinement at home for about four months. We have suffered a severe loss in the Parish by the removal of Mr. M. Makely and family.

FAIRFIELD MISSION, HYDE COUNTY.

REV. S. S. BARBER, Deacon in Charge.

Services here, as elsewhere in my field of labor, have been hindered by sickness, rainy weather, etc. Besides the services reported at the churches, I hold services occasionally the fourth Sunday afternoon at Rush Academy, at Nebraska, and when I can at Rose Bay School-house, and Swan Quarter, at which latter place there are six resident communicants of the Church.

ST. GEORGE'S PARISH, HYDE COUNTY.

REV. S. S. BARBER, Deacon in Charge.

There is (only paid recently) an indebtedness in the way of assessments and arrearages attaching to the Parish amounting in the aggregate to \$67.50, which it was unanimously agreed upon at a recent meeting of the Vestry, should be paid at once, but I could not learn when last at St.

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George's, as the Treasurer was not there, whether it has been paid or not. If it has, that amount, \$67.50, should be added to the amount of contributions.

ST, JOHN'S, WINTON.

REV. F. N. SKINNER, Rector.

This Parish for so long a time without regular services is becoming more active, and the prospects for growth are more encouraging.

ST. MARK'S, WILMINGTON.

REV. CHAS. T. COERR, Rector.

After much struggling, self denial and labor the Rector is able to report that by God's blessing St. Mark's Parish is out of debt. We now hope to give, to objects without, more generously than we have done heretofore, and build a school-house for the Parish.

ST. PAUL'S PARISH, EDENTON.

REV. ROBT. B. DRANE, Rector.

The Mission reported is a school-house in Rockahock District.

COLERAINE MISSION.

REV. ROBT. B. DRANE, Rector.

Families, 2; souls. about 12; confirmed, 3; communicants, 2. The children here united with those of St. Paul's, Edenton, in the Lenten offering for Missions.

I made three visits here, during the year. Conducted Evening Prayer twice in the Academy.

GRACE CHURCH, PLYMOUTH.

REV. LUTHER EBORN, Rector.

I spend one Sunday a month in this Parish, holding services in the morning and at night, and sometimes an extra Sunday night, to good and attentive congregations. And weekly Lay services are also held with good effect.

ST. LUKE'S PARISH, WASHINGTON COUNTY.

REV. LUTHER EBORN, Rector.

Efforts are being made to build a new church edifice in this Parish at Lee's Mills.

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ST. DAVID'S PARISH, WASHINGTON COUNTY.

REV. LUTHER EBORN, Rector.

I hold services in this church two Sundays per month to large congregations. St. Andrew's Mission, Columbia, Tyrrell county, is included in this report.

ST. CLEMENT'S MISSION, BEAUFORT

REV. E. M. FORBES, Rector.

The congregation is increasing and the members are taking more interest in the prosperity of the Church. We hope to have a large number of teachers and scholars in the Sunday-school.

ST. THOMAS' MISSION, CRAVEN COUNTY.

REV. ISRAEL HARDING, Rector.

This Mission has had no public services during the late conciliar year, because of its unfinished church building, and the want of opportunity on the part of the Minister to give it attention. It has lost one of its most faithful members in the death of Mrs. Mary A. Wordsworth.

FARMVILLE MISSION, PITT COUNTY.

REV. ISRAEL HARDING, Rector.

This Mission has the benefit of services only on the fifth Sundays. Its energies and means are exerted to erect a church building, for which a corner-stone has been laid, and a considerable quantity of material collected.

ST. JOHN'S PARISH, PITT COUNTY.

REV. ISRAEE HARDING, Rector.

This Parish has the benefit of but one Sunday for services in each month. On the morning of this day the services are in the Parish Church. In the afternoon at one of the Missions, of which there are two, served alternately, to-wit: St. Michael's and Dawson's School-house, and on Saturday afternoon the other is visited. Bell's Ferry has a service on Friday night preceding the second Sunday. These Missions being unorganized are reported with the Parish.

ST. MARY'S, KINSTON.

REV. ISRAEL HARDING, Rector.

This Parish has the benefit of but one Sunday service in each month, at which the Holy Communion is always celebrated at the morning service. An effort is made to have regular Evening Prayer once a week, which

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together with the Saint's day services, High Festivities and Lenten Season makes up its share of services. It has two Missions, LaGrange and Bethel, which being unorganized their matter is reported with the Parish.

HOLY INNOCENTS, LENOIR COUNTY.

REV. ISRAEL HARDING, Rector.

This Parish has but one Sunday in each month, with the morning service in the Parish Church. In the afternoon services are held at Mission points, either at Antioch in Duplin county, or at White Hall in Wayne county. The matter from these Missions is reported with the Parish.

ST. BARNABAS MISSION, SNOW HILL.

REV. ISRAEL HARDING, Rector.

This Mission has now a bi-monthly service, at which the Holy Communion is always celebrated. If it had more of the Minister's attention its interests would be greatly enhanced.

GRACE CHURCH MISSION, TRENTON.

REV. ISRAEL HARDING, Rector.

This Mission has the benefit of services only once in two months, therefore but little can be done in the way of upbuilding. There is, however, no retrogression in its work.

ST. THOMAS' CHURCH, WINDSOR.

REV. THOS. B. HAUGHTON, Rector.

In November last, I assumed temporary charge of St. Thomas' Church, Windsor, with the understanding that I was to give monthly services to said Parish. The members of the Church there have been uniformly kind to me, and have done what they could to make my visits pleasant. Too much cannot be said of the services rendered by the Lay Reader Mr. J. J. Jacocks. He not only keep up the Sunday services, but week day services were held by him during the past Lent. The Parish is greatly blessed in having such a helper.

ST. GABRIEL'S FAISON.

REV. JAMES M. HILLYAR, Rector.

During the past year I have held 12 week day services at Magnolia. The Bishop confirmed 1 candidate there, and celebrated the Holy Communion, on which occasion 3 lay communicants received.

CHAPEL OF THE CROSS, AURORA.

REV. N. C. HUGHES, JR., Deacon in Charge.

I had the misfortune to lose the book in which my record was kept and this record is therefore inacurate—but by defect, not by excess.

BAYBORO MISSION, PAMLICO COUNTY

REV. N. C. HUGHES, JR., Deacon in Charge.

The report is necessarily approximate owing to the loss of my record.

TRINITY PARISH, BEAUFORT COUNTY.

REV. N. C. HUGHES, D. D., Rector.

A very important agency for good in connection with this Parish is the Church school. Although called Trinity School, it is in no wise directly connected with Trinity Parish. God has blessed it during the past year. One Mission Sunday School has been established in the neighborhood and is taught by pupils of the school. Mission services have also been held in the neighborhood with some degree of regularity.

ST. PAUL'S PARISH, GREENVILLE.

REV. N. C HUGHES, D. D., Rector.

Earnest efforts have been made by a number of the members of this Parish, especially the female members, to liquidate the church debt. Their efforts have been rewarded with a measure of success.

ST. JOSEPH'S, FAYETTEVILLE.

REV. J. C. HUSKE, D. D., Rector.

During the past year Rev. Mr. Atkinson had charge up to March 1st. Since then I have been in charge. I am able to give only two Sunday services per month. During the rest of the time services are kept up by Lay Reading. The great want in this congregation is more general attendance on public worship and active participation in Church Work and giving by all its members. Hardly more than a fourth of them are regular and earnest in these respects.

CHRIST CHURCH, ROCKFISH.

REV. J. C. HUSKE, D. D., Rector.

Since my resignation of St. John's Parish, I have been doing Mission work at Rockfish and in other parts of Cumberland county. This Parish is greatly disorganized and has felt very decidedly the loss of Mr. S. C. Oakman who as Lay Reader and Sunday School Superintendent supplied as

well as could be the want of a Pastor for a long time. His place cannot be supplied at present. The Parish greatly needs regular Ministerial services on each Sunday.

SEVENTY-FIRST TOWNSHIP.

I began to hold religious services in this Township last summer in a small frame house, kindly lent by a friend in the Presbyterian Church, We had also a Sunday School which was well attended for two months. But the dwelling house of the kind friend who lent us this building having been burned, he was compelled to take it from us to shelter his family. During the time of our occupation of this building my official acts were Baptisms 5, infants burials, 1 adult; private communion 1 that time we have been able to make good progress in building a wooden church on ground given by a worthy lady of our Church, which we hope to occupy in a few weeks in an unfinished state and to complete it when we have more leisure and more money. The building thus far is for the most part, the work of hands that do not claim to be skilled but which have done very creditable work, and such as no doubt will be accepted as an offering, by the great Master Builder. The people of our Church in town have taken lively interest in this work and have given liberally to it in money, while a number of kind friends of other Religious Bodies have helped us in various ways.

The building is 50x25 feet to which we design to add as soon as we can get the means a recess chancel and vestibule that will add much to its beauty and proportion. During the last year I have preached monthly in St. John's, Fayetteville, up to the 1st of March, when I took charge of St. Joseph's again. I have also preached once in Haenetta at the private honse of a member of St. John's and baptized one infant, which together with four baptisms in St. John's are reported by the Rev. Mr. Atkinson.

GRACE CHURCH, WOODVILLE. REV. H. M. JARVIS, Rector,

Easter Day I held two services in Grace church. No part of a seat vacant at the first, when I administered Baptism and the Supper of the Lord in addition to the usual service.

The Sunday School children at the second service which was well attended were preceded by their Banner Bearer during the processional and recessional singing corals. No change was made in the order for Evening Prayer love the substitution of carols for canticles. The cross carried off by a wind storm from the spire of Grace church has not yet been replaced. We have lost by death a valuable member of the church Mrs. Harriet Smallwood, wife of Dr. Chas. Smallwood.

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ST. MARK'S ROXABEL, BERTIE COUNTY.

REV. H. M. JARVIS, Rector.

St. Mark's contributed a portion of the forty-five dollars for the Current Episcopal and Contingent Fund. A hail storm recently destroyed a large part of the east window of the chapel.

SOUTH MILLS.

REV. W. L. MELLICHAMPE, Deacon in Charge.

The report is not as complete as I would like it to be since my Missions have only (most of them) lately been brought into life.

ST. STEPHEN'S MISSION, BETHEL, PITT COUNTY.

REV. W. J. SMITH, Rector

I have held no services at this point since December last, having at that time resigned the charge thereof.

HOLY TRINITY, HERTFORD.

REV. F. N. SKINNER, Rector.

In addition to the services reported above, I have held one service, by appointment of the Bishop in Holy Innocent, Avoca, Bertie county, and have administered the Holy Communion, in private, once in Currituck county, at the request of the Rev. W. L. Mellichampe. I have attended all the meetings of the Convocation of Edenton and performed such services as were assigned me. The Church yard has been greatly improved by a wire fence, erected by the faithful labors of the "Ladies Guild." Some repairs have been made on the church by the Ladies of the Parish.

ST. BARNABA'S, MURFREESBORO.

REV. F. N. SKINNER, Rector.

It is hoped that the church will be consecrated shortly, Material aid to the pleasure and beauty of the services is given by members of other choirs in the town. A chandelier and a chancel lamp have been presented through the kindness of friends.



APPENDIX A.

EPISCOPAL ADDRESS.



Bishop's Address.

DEAR BRETHREN OF THE CLERGY AND LAITY:

As our Diocesan Year begins with the first of May, and inasmuch as it is desirable that my own report of visitations should be in chronological consistency with the reports from the Parishes visited, it will be necessary for me to commence with a date somewhat earlier than that of our last Diocesan Council. As the Canon (Digest, I. 17. ii.), only requires me to report the names of the churches visited, the number of persons confirmed—the names of those received as Candidates for Orders, and of those who have been ordained, suspended or degraded and the changes by death, removal or otherwise which have taken place in the clergy, etc., I propose at this time to confine myself more than heretofore to these particulars.

May 6, 1888.—In the morning S. James', Wilmington.

" "At night S. Mark's, Wilmington, confirming eleven persons of color.

May 6.—Same night S. Paul's, Wilmington, confirming seven persons.

May 9.—Transferred by letter dimissory to the Missionary Jurisdiction of Northern California Rev. W. J. Lynd, who had been officiating in Perquimans, Gates and Hertford Counties.

May 10.—Festival of the Ascension, S. James', Wilmington.

" "Received by transfer from the Diocese of South Carolina, Winborn Lawton Mellichampe, a candidate for Deacon's Orders.

At this time I received the canonical notice of the election to the Rectorship of S. John's, Fayetteville, of Rev. Thos. Atkinson, a grandson of our late revered Bishop; the Rev.

J. C. Huske, D. D., for so many years the honored Rector of that parish, having resigned on account of feeble health; his resignation to take effect upon the Institution of his successor.

May 13.-S. Paul's, Clinton, catechizing the children.

May 20.—Morning—S. John's, Wilmington, confirming fifteen persons.

May 20.—At night, S. James', Wilmington, Confirming thirty persons.

May 23.—Opened the Diocesan Council in S. John's, Fayetteville, and conducted the morning service.

At night in same place officiated at Evening Prayer.

May 24.—Received from the Standing Committee the canonical certificate recommending for Deacon's Orders Frederick Nash Skinner.

May 24 and 25.—Officiated at the services held during the meeting of the Diocesan Council, and on the 25th closed the session with Prayer and Benediction.

May 26.—In the Sunday School room of St. John's, Fayetteville, met the Clergy of the Diocese for the purpose of consultation upon their work and the best methods of making it an active and effective means of grace.

May 27.—Morning, at S. John's, Fayetteville, Instituted Rev. Thos. Atkinson Rector of the Parish. The Rev. Dr. Huske retains his connection with the Parish as Rector Emeritus.

At night in the same church confirmed twenty-nine persons presented by Rev. Mr. Atkinson.

May 28.—At private houses in the same parish confirmed two invalids.

The same night visited Christ Church, Rockfish.

June 1.—Administered the Communion in a private house in St. James' Parish, Wilmington.

June 3.—Morning, S. Paul's, Wilmington.

" Afternoon, S. James', confirmed one person.

June 10. - Morning, S. Mark's, Wilmington.

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June 10.—Evening, S. James'.

June 12.—Took part in a funeral at S. James'.

June 14.—Administered clinic Baptism to an infant in S. James' Parish, Wilmington.

June 27.—Received from the Bishop of New York, canonical notice of his acceptance of my letter dimissory in favor of Rev. W. H. Lewis, former Rector of S. James', Wilmington. This severs the connection of Rev. Mr. Lewis, with the Diocese.

June 28.—Received from the Standing Committee the canonical certificate, recommending Winborn L. Mellichampe for Deacon's Orders.

July 15.—At my request, and in consequence of my own indisposition, Rt. Rev. W. B. W. Howe, D. D., Bishop of the Diocese of South Carolina, officiating in S. Paul's Church, Edenton, Ordained to the Diaconate Frederick Nash Skinner and Winborn Lawton Mellichampe.

July 27.—In a private house in S. James' Parish, Wilmington, administered the Communion to a sick person.

Aug. 5.—S. James', Wilmington.

Aug. 12.—S. John's, Wilmington.

Aug. 19.—Morning, S. John's, Wilmington.

" Evening, Funeral at S. James', Wilmington.

Aug. 26.—Early celebration S. John's.

" Morning Prayer S. James', baptizing an infant.

Aug. 29.—In a private house in S. James' Parish, administered the Communion to a sick person.

Sept. 2.—Mt. Lebanon Chapel, Wrightsville.

Sept. 5.—In a private house in S. James' Parish, Wilmington, married a couple.

Sept. 9.—Morning, at Beaufort, Carteret County, Consecrated S. Clement's Church. I had been enabled to erect this building for the use of the colored people, by the liberality of friends in Brooklyn, New York, Rev. D. V. M. Johnson, D. D., and Kennard Buxton, Esq., Executors of the

will of the late Mrs. Cochran; who had, in a bequest, kindly remembered the work among our colored brethren. S. Clement's Mission is under the superintendence of Rev. E. M. Forbes, but is actively conducted by a colored Lay Reader, Francis W. Gibble, holding an appointment also from the Board of Missions. The work has much promise. On this occasion I Confirmed six persons of color.

Same day, afternoon, Catchized the children of S. Paul's Parish, Beaufort.

Same day at night, at S. Paul's, Confirmed six whites.

Sept. 10—At a private house in S. Paul's Parish, Beaufort, confirmed two white persons.

Sept. 11.—At Morehead City in a private house Confirmed one person.

Sept. 12.—S. Cyprian's, New Berne, confirming fifteen persons of color.

Sept. 16.—At the Early Service, celebrated at S. John's, Wilmington.

Same day Morning and Evening Prayer, S. James', Wilmington.

Sept. 20.—S. James', Wilmington, at a Funeral.

Sept. 23.—S. Philip's, Southport, Baptizing an infant.

Sept. 29.-Morning, St. John's, Wilmington.

" " Evening, S. James' at a Funeral.

Sept. 30.-Morning, Lake Waccamaw.

Sept. 30.—Evening, same place, in a private house, celebrated.

Oct. 2.—At Oakland, Bladen County, in a private house, administered the Communion.

Oct. 5.—Held a Sisterhood Service in St. James' Parish, Wilmington.

Oct. 7.—Cronly, Baptizing a white infant.

Oct. 12.—S. James' Wilmington, at a Funeral.

Oct. 14.—Morning, S. John's, Wilmington.

" Evening, S. James'.

Oct. 15.—S. James', at a Funeral.

Oct. 19.—S. Thomas, Windsor; Baptizing one adult, and Confirming one person.

Oct. 21.—Grace Church, Woodville, Bertie County, Catechizing the children.

Oct. 22.—S. Mark's, Roxobel.

Oct. 24.—Church of the Holy Innocents, Avoca, Bertie County.

Oct. 25.—Morning, S. Paul's, Edenton.

" " Night, S. John Evangelist (colored), Confirming one person.

Oct. 26.—Morning, S. Paul's, Edenton.

" " Night, Holy Trinity, Hertford.

Oct. 27.—Holy Trinity, Hertford.

Oct. 28.—Christ Church, Elizabeth City, Catechizing the children.

Oct. 29.—S. John's, Newbegun, Confirming one person.

Oct. 30.—Woodville, Perquimans County.

Oct. 31.—S. John's, South Mills, Baptizing an adult and Confirming three persons.

Nov. 2.—S. Paul's, Edenton.

Nov. 4.—Morning, S. Peter's, Sunsbury, Gates County, Catechizing the children.

Nov. 4.—Night, S. Mary's, Gatesville, Confirming one person.

Nov. 5.—Morning, S. Mary's, Gatesville.

" Night, S. John's, Winton, Confirming one person.

Nov. 6.—Morning, S. John's, Winton.

" " Night, S. Barnabas' Murfreesboro, Confirming one person.

Nov. 11.—Morning, St. James', Wilmington.

" Evening, S. John's, Wilmington, Catechizing the children.

Nov. 13.—Took part in the opening service of the General Missionary Council of the Church, at the Church of the

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Epiphany, Washington City. This gathering, the second of its sort, upon a plan inaugurated by the General Convention of 1886, proved like its predecessor, one of great interest. The most earnest and active minds in the whole country are in this way brought into debate, more or less informal and free, upon the principles, policy and progress of our Church. The reports from the various committees bring up to the time of meeting the work done in the Church in all its departments. It is a transformation of what was formerly the triennial meeting of the Board of Missions into an annual one; with the advantage of shorter intervals, and so, of less opportunity for the interest enkindled to grow cold. To this result its devotional exercises and its social contacts contribute. I speak very confidently for myself and many others when I say we were instructed, encouraged and stimulated for our work.

After the adjournment of the Missionary Council, I attended a meeting of the House of Bishops, at which the Rev. John Mills Kendrick, D. D., was elected Missionary Bishop of New Mexico and Arizona.

Nov. 16.—With many others of the House of Bishops, visited, upon invitation, the Virginia Theological Seminary, in Fairfax County, where we were most hospitably received and entertained. Our own Diocese has at this time two students at this institution, where they are not only instructed and trained for the work of the ministry, but are also to a great extent supported. I fear that otherwise I would not have been able to provide for them. For this we owe the Institution a large debt of gratitude.

From the 18th to the 29th of November, I officiated and preached in different parishes in the Diocese of Long Island.

Early in December, upon my application, the Standing Committee consented to the ordination to the Priesthood of the Rev. F. N. Skinner at the end of six months from his ordination to the Diaconate, in accordance with the provisions of the Digest I. 8, ii. Mr. Skinner had gone through a full course of instruction for the Priesthood at the General Seminary in New York, before his reception of Deacon's Orders At the same time I received the consent of the Standing Committee to the Ordination to the Diaconate of William James Herritage (colored) at the end of one year from his admission as a candidate, in accordance with the provisions of the Digest I. 6. iii. Mr. Herritage is a graduate of one of our Colleges. As a rule I am not in favor of any shortening of the preparation for such a responsible and sacred work as that of the Ministry, but in these cases the circumstances seemed to justify the action taken.

Dec. 9.—At the early celebration, S. James', Wilmington.

Dec. 9-Morning Prayer, S. John's.

" Evening Prayer, S. James'.

Dec. 12.—S. James', at a Funeral.

Dec. 23.—Morning and Evening, S. Peter's, Washington, Confirming fifteen persons and Catechizing the children.

Dec. 24.—Morning, Zion Church, Beaufort County, Confirming twelve persons.

Dec. 24.—Night, S. Thomas', Bath.

Dec. 25.—Christmas, S. Thomas', Bath.

Dec. 26.—Morning, S. James', Beaufort County.

" " Night, Pantego.

Dec. 27.—S. John's, Makelyville. We have greatly to deplore the removal from this small parish of Mr. Metrah Makely and his family, who have for years given such liberal and loving support, pecuniary and personal, to its worship and work.

Dec. 28.—At a private house in Makelyville, Baptized two children.

Same day, at night, officiated in the Court House at Swan Quarter.

Dec. 30.—S. George's, Lake Landing, Hyde County.

Dec. 31.-Fairfield, Hyde County.

" " After service administered the Communion at a private house.

At this place a desirable lot has been secured for a church, but for want of pecuniary means, no steps so far have been taken toward building.

1889, Jan. 1.—At a private house in Sladesville, Baptized an infant.

Jan. 2.—S. John's, Makelyville.

Jan. 3.—Chapel of the Cross, Aurora, Confirming two persons.

Jan. 4.—S. John's, Durham's Creek, Confirming three persons.

Jan. 5.—School House, Chocowinity.

Jan. 6.—Festival of the Epiphany, Morning, Trinity Chapel, Chocowinity, Confirming one person.

Jan. 6.—Afternoon, at the School House, met the Edenton Convocation.

Jan. 6.—At night, in the School House, Evening Prayer.

Jan. 7.-S. Paul's Vanceboro.

Jan. 8.—S. Paul's, Greenville.

Jan. 9.—S. Paul's, Greenville.

Jan. 11.—Church of the Advent, Williamston.

Jan. 13.—Church of the Advent, Williamston, Catechizing the children.

Jan. 16.—S. David's, Scuppernong, Confirming six persons.

Jan. 17.—S. Andrew's, Columbia.

" " After service Confirmed at a private house one person.

Jan. 18.—At the School House, S. David's, Scuppernong, Catechized the children.

Jan. 20.-Morning, S. Luke's, Washington.

" " Night, Grace Church, Plymouth.

Jan. 22.—Grace Church, Plymouth, Confirming one person.

Jan. 23.—Holy Trinity, Hertford.

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Jan. 24.—At Holy Trinity, Hertford, in the morning, Ordained to the Priesthood the Deacon in charge, Rev. Frederick Nash Skinner. The candidate was presented by the Rev. R. B. Drane, who with Rev. Messrs. H. A. Skinner and L. Eborn, united in the laying on of hands.

Jan. 24.—Same place, at night, Evening Prayer.

Jan. 27.—S. Martin's, Hamilton, Confirming four persons and Catechizing the children.

Feb. 3.—S. James', Wilmington, Catechizing the children.

Feb. 10.—S. John's, Wilmington, Catechizing the children.

Feb. 17.—Burgaw.

" " At a private house in same place, Baptized a child and administered the Communion.

Feb. 24.---At the Early Service, St. John's, Wilmington.

" " S. James', Wilmington, Morning and Evening Prayer.

At this time, I gave a letter dimissory in favor of Rev. H. A. Skinner, to the Diocese of Mississippi. Not having, however, as yet received the Canonical notice of its acceptance, Mr. Skinner's name remains upon the list of our clergy.

March 17 .-- S. James', Wilmington.

" Same day, took part in a funeral service at S. James'.

March 22.---S. James', Wilmington.

March 23.---Magnolia, at a private house, Confirming one person.

March 24.—S. Paul's, Clinton, Confirming five persons and Catechizing the children.

March 29 .--- S. Paul's, Wilmington.

March 31.---Early Service, S. John's, Wilmington.

" Morning Prayer, S. James'.

" Evening Prayer, S. Mark's; Catechizing the children.

I was much pleased with the numbers and appearance of the Sunday School in this Parish. Rev. Mr. C. T. Coerr, who is in charge, has had great success in his Parish work. His day school, in which he himself teaches, crowds uncomfortably the room. It is very desirable that a larger and more appropriate and comfortable school room should be obtained. For this Mr. Coerr proposes to appeal to the liberality of the Church for help.

About this time, I received the canonical certificate of the election of Rev. Frederick N. Skinner to the Rectorship of Holy Trinity Parish, Hertford. Since his Ordination to the Diaconate, Mr. Skinner has been serving this Parish, in corporation with three others; in all of which, he has been doing valuable service.

April 28.—Morning, S. Paul's, Wilmington, Confirming eight persons.

April 28.—Afternoon, S. Mark's, Confirming thirteen persons of color.

April 30.—At a private house in S. James' Parish, Wilmington, I Confirmed a sick person.

The same day I received by letter dimissory from the Diocese of Delaware, our old friend and brother in the ministry, Rev. A. A. Benton D. D., who is now, therefore, canonically one of us. His actual residence, however, is at Sewanee, of which Institution he is one of the Theological Faculty. Another tie between us and the University of the South.

This completes my record of work for the Diocesan year 1888-9. I have had what has been for me a very unusual amount of interruption by sickness. But I have much to thank God for, in the opportunities for work, in the sympathetic co-operation of my brethren of the clergy, and in the kindness and hospitality I have received from our brethren of other names. O, that God would bring us more together. But I do not look for any solid unity of the Body that is not based upon unity of Faith. The order of our Prayer for Christ's Church Militant is the true one. Truth first; then

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Unity and Concord; that "agreeing in the Truth of God's Holy Word" we may live in Unity. But surely Truth must be somewhere; and must be substantially, the same for all. Let us pray for ourselves, as earnestly as for those from whom we differ, that we may be led through and out of all mists of pre-judgement, to the knowledge of the Truth.

It is to my great regret that this report leaves a portion of the Diocese without official visitation within the past Diocesan year. This is due to two periods of sudden and prolonged, and as I have intimated, unusual sickness. I had provided for a visitation, in April, of the parishes and missions in the Neuse district and adjoining counties, when the night before I was to set out I was suddenly prostrated; so that the attempt to visit those parishes and stations, within the year, was made impossible. I hope, however, to make this visitation early in the present Diocesan year.

Public services	158
Sermons	79
Confirmation and other addresses and instructions	51
Public Catechizings	13
Celebration of the Holy Communion (public 56,	
private 3)	59
Baptisms (infant 8, adult 2)	IO
Confirmations (whites 162, colored 45), males 99, females	
108	207
Ordinations (whereof two were performed by the Bishop	
of South Carolina, acting during my illness by	
my request)	3
Institution of a Rector	I
Consecration of a Church	I
Marriage	I
Funerals.	8
Vestry Meetings	22
Lay Readers, licensed	38

In some of the Parishes, I have again been able to gather the communicants for more direct instruction and exhortation, and have, in several cases, met beforehand the confirmation classes, for special preparation.

The following changes have taken place in the clergy, and the parochial arrangements of the Diocese.

I have received by letter dimissory from the Diocese of Delaware, Rev. Angelo A. Benton, D. D., whose actual home, however, is at the University of the South, in which Institution he is professor of Systematic Divinity.

I have transferred by letters dimissory:

Rev. Wm. H. Lewis to the Diocese of New York.

Rev. Wm. J. Lynd to the Missionary Jurisdiction of Northern California.

I have given Rev. Henry A. Skinner a letter dimissory to the Diocese of Mississippi. But as I have not so far received the canonical notice of its acceptance, I have retained his name upon the clergy list.

The vacancy in Christ Church Parish, Elizabeth City, occasioned by Mr. Skinner's resignation, has not yet been filled.

Rev. T. B. Haughton has added S. Thomas', Windsor to his former charge.

Rev. Mr. Price has engaged with Trinity School, Chocowinity. He retains, however, charge of S. Thomas', Bath, S. James', Beaufort County, and Pantego.

Rev. W. J. Smith having removed to Scotland Neck, has been compelled to give up the Mission at Bethel. He however, retains the charge of S. Martin's, Hamilton.

There are on the clergy list, beside the Bishop, twenty-one Priests (including Rev. H. A. Skinner), and six Deacons.

We have seven Postulants; of whom, one is colored.

We have one candidate for Deacon's orders, viz: Francis Joyner; and six candidates for Priest's orders, viz: Lay, Claudins F. Smith and William J. Herritage; Clerical, Rev.

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Messrs. S. S. Barber, P. W. Cassey, N. C. Hughes, Jr. and R. B. Windley; in all five white and one colored.

The Examining Chaplains are the same as before, viz:

Rev. Jas. Carmichael, D. D., Rev. Robert Strange,

Rev. E. M. Forbes, Rev. V. W. Shields,

Rev. N. C. Hughes, D. D., Rev. N. Harding.

From our House of Bishops since our last Council two have been called away, Rt. Rev. Samuel Smith Harris, D. D., L.L. D., Bishop of Michigan, and Rt. Rev. Edmund Randolph Welles, D. D., Bishop of Milwaukee. Within the same period, Rt. Rev. Leighton Coleman, S. T. D., L.L. D., has been consecrated Bishop of Delaware; Rt. Rev. Boyd Vincent, assistant Bishop of Southern Ohio; Rt. Rev. John Mills Kendrick, D. D., Missionary Bishop of New Mexico and Arizona; Rt. Rev. Cyrus F. Knight, D. D., Bishop of Milwaukee, and Rt. Rev. Charles C. Grafton, Bishop of Fond du Lac.

Of our own clergy all have been spared to us. But we can heartily sympathize with our Sister Diocese of North Carolina, in the loss of some who once wrought with us. Rev. George Wetmore, D. D. and Rev. Fordyce M. Hubbard, D. D. Many of us will remember too, with affection, Rev. Wm. E. Snowden, once Rector of S. Peter's, Washington, and afterward of Holy Trinity, Hertford, but at the time of his death, of the Diocese of New York.

I have to thank the Clergy of the Diocese for their many kindnesses, and for the loyal and hearty support I have received from them upon my visitations.

During the past year, we have again been frequently indebted to our brethren of other organizations for their kindness, in extending to us the use of their Churches.

To the Board of Missions: to the Commission for work among persons of color and to the Woman's Auxiliary we are indebted for the ability in many instances to keep our Ministry in the field. It seems to me that we are imperatively bound in honor to respond to these contributions to our work, by offerings in return to these great agencies. There is occasion to fear that the failure to recognize this duty in this and other portions of the Church, may seriously reduce this year the aid we are now receiving, and cripple our exertions.

I have just received from the Secretary of our Diocesan Branch of the Woman's Auxiliary, Mrs. John Hughes, an interesting report of her efforts during the past year to establish Parochial Branches throughout the Diocese. To these efforts I earnestly hope that my brethren as well of the clergy as of the Laity will respond; that we may take an honorable place in the great company of laborers in this most valuable department of the Church's work, and help even as we have been and are helped.

In addition to these organized agencies, we have come under obligation during the past year for special help to some of our Northern brethren, who have lightened the burdens of some of our most poorly supported clergy. To the Society for the Increase of the Ministry and the Education Society of the Virginia Theological Seminary we are deeply indebted for aid in supporting our candidates for orders, without which I doubt whether it would have been possible for some of them to have pursued their preparations for the ministry.

The New York Bible Society has sent us a box of Prayer books and Hymnals, which I have distributed, or am prepared to distribute, to those who need them most.

I wish that I could speak with more encouragement of our finances. But so far as I can see, there has never since my consecration been a time when our farming population (and we are mainly a diocese of farmers) has been in such pecuniary straits.

On the other hand, the success of our amicable suit in the matter of the will of the late Miss Mary Ruffin Smith has placed at our disposal several thousand dollars, with the prospect of future additions. Permit me to hope that this fund will not be spent, but invested; so as to be of permanent and not merely passing benefit. The great difficulty experienced by the Treasurer in collecting the assessments seems to me to suggest as the best application of this legacy, the addition of it to the Permanent Fund of the Diocese. In this way the amount assessed upon the parishes may be correspondingly reduced. But this addition will only reduce, not extinguish, the assessment. It will be just as true as ever, that the Diocese will have to depend for its existence, in part, upon the annual contributions of its members. There would be another advantage in this application of the fund; in that it would provide first of all for the payment of debts, the meeting of contracts; observing the old maxim of being just before generous.*

It was noticeable at the last General Convention, that East Carolina had no lay representation. As a consequence, whenever a vote by orders was called the Diocese had no lay vote. This, I am persuaded, was in part due to the expensiveness of attendance. While the Diocese meets the expenses of its clerical deputies it makes no provision for those of the lay deputies. Would it not be well to provide for the expenses of at least one Lay Deputy, even though thereby the clerical representation might be reduced? It is quite likely that in the next General Convention there will be many votes (and some of great importance) taken by orders. By having even one Lay Deputy present in such case, we would double our vote; that is, we would have a vote in each order.

Those of you who have read the interesting and important documents relative to the early history of our old Diocese of

^{*}Note.—This fund is frequently called the Bishop's Fund, but it should be remembered that out of it all the regular expenses of the Diocese are met. The cost of publishing and distributing the Journals, the annual appropriation to the Secretary, the travelling expenses of the clerical delegates attending the Diocesan Council, of the clerical deputies to the General Convention, the quota of the Diocese assessed for the expenses of the General Convention, &c.

North Carolina, brought to light by Rev. Joseph B. Cheshire, Jr., will, perhaps, remember the conventions held in the months of June and November, 1790, and the efforts then made to inaugurate an active Diocesan Organization. So far as we now know, these were our first efforts to organize as a Diocese. They went so far as to appoint Deputies to the General Convention, to be held in New York in 1792.

Our next Diocesan Council will, therefore, after a very real sort, be a centennary Council. It has been suggested that it would be an appropriate thing, for the convention of our sister Diocese and our own Council, to take steps for a united celebration of our birth into the family of Dioceses. As the Diocesan Convention of North Carolina is to meet on our own borders in the town of Tarboro, next year, it might be well for us to appoint our own gathering for the same time in some town easily accessible to or from Tarboro; so that after our more formal work is done and our Canons laid at rest for another year, we might be able to spend the ensuing Lord's Day in social and Christian intercourse, and in joint worship and thanksgiving.

I hope that my brethren of the clergy will bear with me when I express my regret that sometimes their Parochial reports are so carelessly drawn up, not only with blots and almost illegible figures, but occasionally with incorrect additions. Surely this is not what should be expected from an educated clergy, nor is it just toward the Committees which have the trouble of digesting them. Whatever is worth doing, is worth doing well, especially when it is for the Church of God. Accuracy and neatness must be among the preparations for perfection of character.

In referring to the matter of the will of Miss Mary Ruffin Smith, I had intended to suggest the thanks we owe to our Committee who have conducted the case, and to whose very able presentation of it before the Superior and Supreme Courts we are, in some good degree, indebted for at least the

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promptness of the decision. But in this the Council has anticipated me.

I am not willing to close my review of the year, without at least a reference to the admirable work done in the city of Wilmington by the Sisterhood of the Good Shepherd.

And now brethren, commending you to the grace and mercy of God, let me ask for your efforts as well as your prayers, and your forbearance as well as your sympathy, that I may be enabled to do with better wisdom, fidelity, and success, the work which in God's Providence has fallen upon such very human shoulders.

Your Bishop,

A. A. WATSON.



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TREASURER'S REPORT

For Fiscal Year Ending April 30, 1889.



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TREASURER'S REPORT,

For Thirteen Months—From April 1, 1888, to April 30, 1889—Closing of New

Fiscal Year as Appointed by the Council of 1888.

To the Sixth Annual Council of the Diocese of East Carolina:

The Treasurer respectfully presents herewith his accounts for	the	fis	cal
year, ending April 30, 1889, showing the following balances, viz:			
Current Episcopal and Contingent Fund	\$	233	57
Diocesan Missions		191	35
Current Fund for Relief of Disabled Clergymen and Widows and			
Orphans of deceased Clergymen		280	21
Students Aid Fund		86	03
Church Building Fund		46	12
Permanent Episcopal and Contingent Fund		126	26
Permanent Fund for Relief of Disabled Clerymen and Widows			
and Orphans of Deceased Clergymen		ΙI	71
Permanent Fund for Education of Children of Deceased Clergy-			
men		42	44

A List of all the Securities belonging to the Diocese is also herewith presented in accordance with Canon VI.

LIST OF SECURITIES BELONGING TO THE DIOCESE OF EAST CAROLINA-

In Hands of Treasurer April 30, 1889.

FOR THE PERMANENT EPISCOPAL FUND—FOR THE BISHOP'S SALARY AND CONTINGENT EXPENSES OF THE DIOCESE.

No. 1159, 1—State of North Carolina, Rene 6 per cent., due April, 1919.	\$ 1,000	00
No. 1861, 1—State of North Carolina, 4 per	cent. Bond, due	
July, 1910 Nos.72, 97, 98, 3—8 per cent. Bonds of City of W		00
each, due January, 1892		00
Nos. 53 to 59, 7—6 per cent. Bonds of City of Weach, due January 1897		-00
No. 119, 1—6 per cent. County of Craven		00
1909 60 shares, Capital Stock in the	500	00
Railroad Company		00
1—8 per cent. Bond of J. W. Barr		
Mortgage		00
per cent. secured by Mortga	ge 1,875	00
The Diocese owns also the Episcopal Residence		
value may be estimated at about		26
Also the uninvested cash balance of		20
FOR THE PERMANENT CLERGY RELIEF FUND-	FOR RELIEF OF DISABI	ED

CLERGYMEN, AND WIDOWS AND ORPHANS OF DECEASED

CLERGYMEN OF THE DIOCESE.

Nine Shares in the Capital Stock of the North Carolina Railroad	
Note of T. F. and R. B. Wood, at 8 per cent., payable on	\$ 900 00
Note of T. F. and R. B. Wood, at 8 per cent., payable on	
demand	350 00
Half Interest in Judgment against John Wilkes, estimated at	00
about	250 00
Uninvested cash balance	11 71

FOR THE PERMAMENT FUND FOR EDUCATION OF CHILDREN OF DECEASED

CLERGYMEN OF THE DIOCESE.

No. 61 and 62—2 Bonds County of Craven, \$500 each, due July, 1909, 6 per cent. interest annually...... \$ 1,000 00

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No.1096 to 1105—10 County of Craven Bonds, \$2 each, due July,	
Five shares in the Capital Stock of the North Carolina Railroad	250 00
Company	500 00
Note of T. F. and R. B. Wood, 8 per cent., payable on demand Uninvested cash balance	100 00
Unitivested cash balance	42 44
The following amounts for purposes outside of the Diocese	have been
received and remitted since the Treasurer's Report to April 1,	1888:
For the Domestic and Foreign Missionary Society	Y ;
From St. James Parish Wilmington	# 205 20
From St. James Parish, Wilmington	123 00
Total	
FOR THE ENROLMENT FUND FOR GENERAL MISSIONS:	
From Miss Annie Wood, Edenton	\$ 5 00
" Master Brent S. Drane, Edenton	5 00
" Miss M. F. Skinner, Edenton	5 00
Mis. E. F. Leary, Edenton	5 00
" Mrs. M. McK. Nash, Newbern " St James Parish, Wilmington	5 00
St James Parisu, Whinington	5 00
Tota1	\$ 30 00
For the University of the South :	
From St. Martin's Parish, Hamilton	\$ 12 09
" St. Paul's Parish, Edenton.	# 12 09 27 02
" St. James' Parish, Wilmington	27 92 66 00
Total	\$ 106 01
For the American Church Building Fund :	π
From St. James' Parish, Wilmington	\$ 25 00
For the Society for Increase of the Ministry:	
Collection in St. John's, Fayetteville, during meeting of	
Council. May. 1888.	\$ 25 32 11 70
From Holy Trinity Parish, Hertford	11 70
Total	\$ 37 02
For the New York Bible and Prayer Book Society	Υ;
Collection in St. John's Parish, Fayetteville, during Meeting of Council, May, 1888.	\$ 17 89
	. ,
FOR THE CHURCH SOCIETY FOR THE PROMOTION OF CHR AMONGST THE JEWS:	ISTIANITY
From Christ Church, Elizabeth City	\$ 6 95

DR. Diocese of East Carolina, for the Current Episcopal and Contingent Fund

To paid the following clergymen for expenses attending the meeting of the Council at Fayetteville, May, 1888: Rev. C. S. Arnold	\$ 4 10 7 75 8 85 21 50 11 70 7 10	
"Rev.T.B, Haughton. 7 65 "R, B. Windley	12 20	\$134 85
"N. Harding, expenses as Secretary. "Do, Salary as Secretary for year 1887-'88 "30 circulars for Treasurer, June 28, 1888, "41 and distributing 900 copies of Journal, including form of Parochial Report and 500 extra copies of Bishop's Pastoral. "50 Insurance of \$3,000 on Episcopal Residence for 3 years to May 8, 1891, \$66 oo. Less returned prem. on cancelled policy, \$3.46	43 00 I 00 281 31	8 15 100 00 325 31 62 54 64 95 3 00 26 90 7 72 2,708 33 182 99 233 57

Dr.	Diocese of East Carolina for	Diocesan	Missions,
sionary Commi "Rev. S. S. Barber "I. Eborn "I. Harding "T. B Haug "N.C.Hughes "Commission on r	propriations by the Executive Mistee at Meeting of May 25, 1888, viz: \$100 00 Rev. N. C. Hughes, Jr., 100 00 N. E. Price	100 00 100 00 * 37 50	

^{* \$12 50} additional remitted to Rev. Mr. Smith was refunded by him.

40 00

360 00

24 00

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1,149 co 24 98

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\$233 57

\$ 191 35

In Acc't with A. J. DeRosset, Treas., for the Fiscal Year Ending April 30, '89. By balance for account rendered to April 1, 1888..... \$ 198 55 Amount received from assessments on Parishes and Mission Stations per Tabular Statement...... 2,274 84 Amount received from Special Assessment on Communicants per Tabular Statement..... 206 94 Donation from Mrs. T. H. Lassiter, October 11, 1888... 4 00 Income of Permanent Episcopal Fund, viz: Coupon April '88, \$1,000 N. C. State Bond, 6s...... 30 00 Oct. '88 and April '89, N. C. State Bond, 6s 60 00 May '88 and Nov. '88, \$2,000 N. C. R. R. Bonds \$160 oo July '88 and Jan. '89, \$3,500 City of Wilming-210 00 July '88, \$1,000 City of Wilmington 8s 40 00 July '88 and Jan. '89, \$1,500 City of Wilmington 8s,..... 120 00

July '88 and Jan. '89, \$1,000 State N. C. 45.....

Dividend for Sept, '88 and March '89, 60 shares N. C.

notes—1875—at 8 per cent.....

By balance brought down.....

"July '89 Coupon on Craven County Bond No. 119, at 6
per cent., I year to July '89......
"Interest on Deposits.....

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In Acc't with A. J. DeRosset, Treas., for the Fiscal Year Ending	April 30, '89. CR
By balance per account rendered to April 1, 1888	\$557 3 548 5 207 9 0 3 00
188o	\$ 1,316 8

By balance.....

Dr.	DR. Diocese of East Carolina for the Curre		
" Transfe of dis	shop Watson for distributionerred to Permanent Fund for relief sabled Clergy, and Widows and us of deceased Clergymen, by order	\$25 00	
of Cou	ssion on Receipts, \$203 79.	350 00 10 18 280 21	
		\$665 39	

DR. Diocese of East Carolina for the Stu-	dent's Aid Fund,
To paid appropriations by the Committee, viz: " Mr. H. H. Barber " C. F. Smith " F. Joyner " Treasurer's commission on receipts, \$118 12 " Balance	\$25 00 22 50 6 18 5 90 86 03

DR. Diocese of East Carolina for the Church B		uilding Fund
" " St. Pa " " Chape " " Missio	priations by the Committee, viz; ul's Church, Vanceboro	\$25 00 25 00 25 00 3 63 46 12 \$124 75

In Acc't with A. J. DeRosset, Treas., for the Fiscal Year Ending April	30, '89. CR.
By balance per account rendered April 1, 1888	\$ 461 58
per Tabular Statement	157 37
"Donation from Rev. R. B. Windley, Nov. 14, '88	2 00
Bishop watson, reb. 5, 69	29 44
" " J. B. Bonner, April 6, '89	15 00
7990	\$665 39
May I. By balance.	\$280 21

In Acc't with A. J. DeRosset, Treas., for the Fiscal Year End'g April 3	30,'89. CR.
By balance per account rendered April 1, 1888	\$ 27 49 118 12
1889	\$145 61
May I. By balance	\$86 03

In Acc't with A. J. DeRosset, Treas., for the Fiscal Year End'g April 30, 's	
By balance per account rendered Ayril I, 1888	\$52 00 72 75
1889 — May 1. By balance	\$124 75

Diocese of East Carolina for the Permanent Fund for Relief of Disabled Clergymen and Widows and Orphans of Deceased Clergymen.

July 14. To paid for 8 shares N. C. R. R. Co stock at 102 per cent. and brokerage \$2 1889 March 25 "For Note of T. F. Wood and R. B. Wood, payable on demand with interest at 8 per cent To balance	\$818 00 350 00 11 71
	\$1,17971

In Acc't with A. J. DeRosset, Treas., for the Fiscal Year Ending April 30, '89. CR.			
188	8		
April	I. 23.	By balance per account rendered	\$21 25
July	I.	Treasurer Diocese of North Carolina "Collection of matured Bond No. 319, of	1 50
Oct.	2.	the City of Wilmington	1,000 00
66,1	44	through Rev. N. E. Price	60
Nov.	I.	"Collection of 4 matured Bonds of \$500 each from N. C. R. R. Co	\$2,000 00
1889		•	\$3,023 76
May 1.	Ву	balance	\$126 26

In Acc't with A. J. DeRosset, Treas., for the Fiscal Year Ending April 30, 89. CR.

1888		
April 1.	By balance per account rendered	\$92 71
21,	"One-half of \$300 collected on judgment	
	against John Wilkes through Mr.R H.Battle	150 00
June 2.	"Transfer from the Current Relief Fund by	
- 1	order of Council of 1888	350 00
July 1.	" matured Bond No 324, City of Wilmington	200 00
" I.	"July '88, Coupon of above Bond	8 00
" IO.	"One-half of \$150 paid on judgment against	
	John Wilkes, through Mr. R. H. Battle	75 00
Aug 13.	"One half of \$200 paid on account of above	100 00
Sept. 4.	"Dividend 3 per cent on 9 shares N.C.R.R. Co	27 ()
1889	Dividend 3 per cent on 9 shares iv. c. R. R. Co	2/
	" One half of troe on account of indement	· ·
Jan. 14.	"One half of \$100 on account of judgment	'
.,	vs. John Wilkes	50 00
" 23.	"One-half of \$200 on account of judgment	
	vs. John Wilkes	100 00
March 1.	" Dividend 3 per cent on 9 shares N. C. R. R.	
	Co. Stock	27 00
		\$1,17971
1889		
	By balance	\$11 71

DR. Diocese of East Carolina, Permanent Fund for Education of Children of Deceaseed Clergymen,

1888		
July 14.	To paid for I share N. C. R. R. Stock at 102 per cent. and brokerage 25 cents	\$102 25
March 25.	"Paid for note of T. F. aud R. B. Wood, on demand with interest at 8 per cent	100 00
To b	alance	42 44
		\$244 69

In Acc't with A. J. DeRosset, Treas. for the Fiscal Year Ending April 30, '89. CR.

1888	(A. A. C.	
April I.	By balance per account rendered	\$139 69
Sept. 1.	By balance per account rendered	1 . 0
	R. Co	15 00
" 16.	" July '89 Coupons of \$100—Craven County	1
-00	Bonds collected in advance	6 00
: 1889	" De de of #x xxx Bondo of Crouse Co	60.00
Jan. 1z. March 1.	" Do, do. of \$1.150 Bonds of Craven Co " 3 per cent. dividend on 5 shares N. C. R.	69 00
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	II. Diocalini	
*00-		\$244 69
1889 May 1. B	y balance	#40.44
May 1. B	y Dalauce	p42 44

TABULAR STATEMENT,

SHOWING AMOUNTS RECEIVED FROM PARISHES AND MISSION STATIONS FROM APRIL 1, 1888, TO APRIL 30, 1889.—13 MONTHS.

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Arrears	due April 30, 1889.	888 88 88 88 88 88 88 88 88 88 88 88 88	
Total Payments.			
Special Assessment on Comm'nts		0 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1	06 78
Bishop's	for Diocesan Missions.	10	
	Church Building Fund.	2 2 2 2 2 4 8 8 8 8 8 8 8 8 8 8 8 8 8 8	22 00
UTIONS.	Students Aid Fund		25 00
CONTRIBUTIONS	Relief Fund.	1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1	25 00
	Diocesan Missions.	22 32 34 40 1 72 82 1 20 20 20 20 1 1 4 4 4 4 4 4 4 4 4 4 4 4 4 4 4 4 4	
Payments	on Acc't. of Arrears & Assessm'ts	に	450
	Assessm'ts for fiscal Year 1888-9.		
11	Arrears due April1, 1888	828 42 42 42 42 42 42 42 42 42 42 42 42 42	
	LOCATION.	Aurora Bath Beaufort Beaufort Beaufort Beaufort Clinton Bertie county Clinton Edeuton	Wilmington
	PARISHES	Chapel of the Cross. St. Panul's. St. Panul's. St. John's. Si. John's. Zion. Z	St. James'

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100 00 20 00 12 50 3 00			\$960 16
Wilmington Wilmington Wilmington Wilmington Windsor	STATIONS.	Avoca Bayboro Bayboro Bayboro Edenton Falson Farawille Gates county Magnolia Pitt county Richlands Richlands Richlands South Mills Tyrrell county Tyrrell county Tyrrell county	
St. Paul's. St. John's. St. Mark's. St. Thomas. St. John's.	MISSION	Antioch Chapel. St. John Evangelist St. Gabriel. Emmanuel. St. Peter's. Mariboro. St. Mark's. St. Mark's. Grace. Grace.	

*Reduced by Council of 1888, from \$52 40.

tone dollar and sixty-one cents of this amount was "Special for Mrs. Hinton." A remittance from same Parish of \$9.95 for same special object was received February 15, 1889, and handed to Bishop Watson without being entered in Treasurer's books, by request of the Treasurer of the parish.







